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Telephone Department Raided

Employee Seized On Bribery Charge

CID Use Dictaphone To Trap Suspect

High Officials Are Said To Be Involved: More Arrests Soon

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER OF THE BOMBAY TELEPHONE DEPARTMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WAS THE VENUE OF A SURPRISE RAID THIS AFTERNOON BY OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE SPECIAL POLICE ESTABLISHMENT (CENTRAL) IN BOMBAY.

A little before the raid, N. Fernandes, an official representative of the Bombay Telephones, was, it is learnt, trapped by the Central C.I.D., and taken into custody. A sum of Rs. 2,000 in marked currency notes was recovered. Fernandes is alleged to have had the notes on his person at the time of the arrest, after receiving the amount as illegal gratification for the installation of a telephone at the Dadar residence of a city business executive.

Credit for the arrest and the subsequent unearthing of what is alleged to be a racket, goes to Superintendent Kunversen and Sub-Inspector N. J. Singh, both of the Central Anti-Corruption Branch in Bombay, who for the first time in the history of crime detection in India, used a dictaphone. They recorded as evidence the voice of Fernandes.

It is learnt that the recorded statements implicate certain high officials of the Bombay Telephones, and dramatic developments are anticipated. Further arrests are also expected as a result of not only the dictaphone recordings, but the seizure of papers and documents in the afternoon's raid.

THREE MONTHS AGO....

Today's raid and arrest mark the culmination of an episode which began as early as three months ago—in September—when the telephone connections of Messrs. Din Products Limited of Byculla were cut by the Telephone company on the ground that there was an acute scarcity of telephone material. After dismantling the connections, Fernandes (of the Bombay Telephones) is alleged to have gone to the Works Manager of the Din Products factory and volunteered to "restore" the connections "for a consideration" at the residence of the Works Manager, not at the factory itself.

A deal was struck and the amount was fixed at Rs. 2,000. Fernandes, it is alleged, said that he was demanding this "rather big sum" because he had to share it with senior officers of the telephone company. The Works Manager got in touch with the Central Anti-Corruption Branch.

Sub-Inspector Singh was entrusted with the investigations. He disguised himself as a coolie and waited at the factory at a strategic place where Fernandes was expected to come to give the finishing touch to the negotiations. This was on January 16. After having personally verified that Fernandes was demanding money, the police official instructed the complainant (the Works Manager) to clinch the bargain. Payment of the money was fixed for this morning.

Fernandes, presumably in order to prove his bonafides, carted, with the aid of some coolies, a telephone instrument and wires to the residence of the complainant in the early hours of this morning, it is learnt.

OTHER WIRES

He little suspected that even before he ordered his men to start installing the telephone wires, Mr. Singh had already fixed another system of wires cleverly concealed behind the walls. These wires led to a dictaphone meant to record every word of the conversation between Fernandes and the Works Manager. Fernandes, it is alleged, implicated certain high officials during the conversation which was recorded. It is believed this will lead to some arrests.

Mr. Singh, who was accompanied by two honorary magistrates to act as panch witnesses, had with him Rs. 2,000 in marked notes. He managed to pass it on to the Works Manager at an opportune moment without attracting attention. The latter, it is alleged, gave it to Fernandes along with an

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Mind Control By Stalin

The first of a series of six articles on the Soviet system of mind control, specially written by Dr. George S. Counts from his sensational book, "The Country of the Blind", appears on page 7 of this issue. Dr. Counts, a Professor of Education at Columbia University, lays bare in vivid words the ruthless system of mind control in Stalin's Russia. The articles supply a key to the "understanding" of the Soviet Union which so many people are asking for today.

Big Liquor Raid

POLICE COMB OUT MAROL JUNGLE

14-Hour Action: 2 Arrests

BOMBAY, Thursday.

IN what is considered as one of the biggest raids, the Andheri Police today combed Marol jungle and seized three working stills, 56 gallons of illicit liquor and took into custody two persons.

The police also took charge of 56 empty drums of 50 gallons capacity each which originally contained wash but was found destroyed, subsequently.

The police party consisting of Inspector Bagwe, Inspector Dumale and Sub-Inspector Merchant, Dave and Patil and a staff of 15 men acting on their own initiative reached the jungle at 7 a.m. today and returned at 9 p.m. the whole operation taking nearly 14 hours.

The property seized is valued at Rs. 7,000. The names of the arrested men are: Yakub Musa and Ramnarainsingh Rajkaransingh.

BAGGE TRIBUNAL DECISION

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (UPI)—It is understood that the decision of the Bagge Boundary Tribunal which finished its sittings at Dacca last week is expected to be handed over by Lord Justice Bagge Chairman of the Tribunal, to the representatives of the Governments of Pakistan and India at Bombay on February 3 when he sails for Ceylon on a short holiday before returning to Europe.

U. N. Meeting On Kashmir Cancelled

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter)—Dr. T. F. Tsiang, Chinese Nationalist President of the Security Council, has cancelled a meeting of the Council which had been fixed for tomorrow to consider the Kashmir question.

Dr. Tsiang said that some members of the Council had informed him that as they had prior engagements outside New York tomorrow's date was not convenient.

He had not decided when the next meeting would be held.

The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee has forwarded a cheque for Rs. 5,600 to the Governor of Madras, Maharaja of Bhavnagar towards relief of victims of the recent cyclone in Andhra.

PAKISTAN WANTS NO WAR, BUT WILL FIGHT FOR JUSTICE

Khan's Threat & Plea To World For Solution In Kashmir

KARACHI, Jan. 19, (PTI-Reuter)

PAKISTAN sought a "just solution" of the Kashmir problem and would fight for such a solution "no matter what the sacrifices", said Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan Prime Minister of Pakistan, in Parliament today, initiating a full-dress debate on Kashmir.

Mr. Khan declared: "We do not want war. We do not want conflict and we do not wish any one ill. But at the same time we shall not bow down to force or accept an unjust solution of the Kashmir problem."

The Pakistan Prime Minister said he thought the Kashmir issue "is of importance not only to Pakistan and India, but of greatest importance to all nations who desired that peace should prevail in this universe", because if there was a "conflagration" on this subcontinent, it would "engulf the whole world."

Mr. Khan said, "We the people" and the Pakistan Government had done "our best" to see that no "such contingency" arose, adding that "now it is the duty of the peoples of the world to see that an honourable and just solution is found, which we know is a free and impartial plebiscite."

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Pakistan Troops Illegally Enter Disputed Area

KARIMGANJ, Jan. 19. (UPI): The Pakistan armed forces are reported to have unlawfully entered the Patharia reserve forest area, which is under dispute with the decision of the Bagge Tribunal still awaited. The previous Inter-Dominion Agreement prohibited the posting of military within five miles of either side pending final settlement of the dispute.

Cachar district authorities are reported to have taken up the matter with the Sylhet district (East Bengal) authorities.

BOY WHO SAILED A YAWL ALONE

Fourteen-year old John Guthrie who sailed the £,888, 35-ton yawl 'Girl Jean' 130 miles alone in the North Atlantic was taken to a remand home in Dundee recently. His father was with him. In seamen's boots and the clothes he wore when he went to "get his father's papers", he was brought ashore sobbing at Aberdeen.
John Guthrie later pleaded guilty to stealing the fifty-ton Scottish motor fishing boat and was sent to a reform school, on January 19.

LAND REFORM IN BOMBAY

Ryotwari System To Be Ushered In

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A LAND reform of great importance which will augment the Provincial exchequer by a crore of rupees, has been decided upon by the Government of Bombay, who will introduce the necessary legislation in the ensuing budget session of the Bombay Legislative Assembly. The increase will be exclusive of the Merged areas regarding which no statistics are yet available.

The reform, which will virtually abolish by a single legislative stroke, all the Patils, Deshpandes, Desais, Kulkarnis, Sanadis and Jahagirdars in the Province, will be the final phase of the Agrarian reforms undertaken by the popular Ministry, in recent years. The legislation will put an end to all Vatans, Inams, Surajams and other types of land tenure and replace them by Ryotwari.

Some of these tenures paid Government revenue assessment either nominally or not at all on account of some services rendered by the ancestors of the present incumbents, hundreds of years ago.

An indirect, but benificial result of the intended legislation appears to be that some of these titulars had converted these jurisdictions into "pocket boroughs', and almost held the peasants therein, in thrall.

It is learnt that the Government has decided that those of the Patils, Kulkarnis and Sanadis, who want to become permenant Government servants, can become so, and Government will pay them adequately, both salaries and dearness allowance. This would break their holds on their areas, as they would be subject to transfers just as other Government servants.

ART SILK YARN MAY BE IMPORTED

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI)—The Government of India have decided to allow imports of art silk yarn of first, second and third quality, most of which will be used for manufacturing cloth for export.

The total Indian requirement of art silk yarn for power loom only is estimated to be thirty million pounds. The Tariff Board's estimate of total requirements of power and handlooms is fortyfive to fifty million pounds, while the estimate made by the art silk mills association is even higher.

Jute Godown In Howrah Aflame

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19. (PTI).

Five fire engines fought for about three hours to subdue a fire which broke out in a jute godown at Howrah today. The damage is said to be considerable. The cause of the fire is not known.

Indian Jute Industry's Firm Position

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI): Latest available information here shows that the Indian Jute Industry, by properly husbanding its resources following the hold up of jute in Pakistan, is in a position to continue the present production right up to the end of July. By that time the new crop would have become available for conversion into jute goods.

Recover Rs. 7 Crores Loss From Managing Agents

SHAREHOLDER'S REQUEST TO NEW DIRECTORS

74th Annual General Meeting Of The Sholapur Spg. & Wvg. Co. Ltd.

BOMBAY, Thursday

THE adjourned annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., was held at the Registered Office of the Company on Wednesday afternoon. The quiet and peaceful atmosphere of the meeting offered a glaring contrast to the turbulence, chaos and confusion witnessed at the last two meetings of the Company.

A striking feature of the meeting this time was the absence of Mr. Deepchand Shah who presided at the last meeting. A slightly piquant touch was lent to the whole scene when the members of the now defunct Board of Directors and some of the Managing Agents quietly slipped into back seats.

The meeting started with a statement read by Mr. Divekar, the Secretary. It referred to the recently issued Ordinance by the Government of India dissolving the old Board of Directors and the Managing Agency, and setting up in its place another Board of Directors to look after the management of the mill. The members of the new Board had not so far concluded their study of the reports and the audited statements of accounts, and as such, they were not in a position to offer any plausible explanations regarding the administration of the company. It was but natural, therefore, that they were not present at the meeting.

MR. CAMA PRESIDES

In view of the fact that the shareholders had themselves to conduct the meeting, Mr. D. C. Mehta proposed Mr. M. R. Cama to the chair. Another shareholder proposed the name of Mr Sohrab Vakil, a former solicitor of the company. On vote being taken Mr. Cama was declared to have been elected by an overwhelming majority, and he occupied the presidential chair among cheers. One of the shareholders asked for poll. He, however, withdrew his demand, on being told that it was out of order.

Mr. Cama on taking the Chair thanked the shareholders for electing him to that position, but added that he was not happy to be the Chairman of that meeting in the existing circumstances. Mr. Cama gave expression to his sense of gratitude and satisfaction on behalf of the shareholders for the steps taken by the Government in issuing the Ordinance and thereby removing all the Directors and Managing Agents and placing the control and management of the mills in the able hands of the new Board of Directors appointed by them.

LAST CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The shareholders vehemently and emphatically protested against putting on record the speech of the former Chairman Mr. Deepchand Shah, which was taken as read at the last meeting, and copies of which were distributed among the shareholders. They exhorted the Chairman not to have anything to do with that speech and to give it no place in the books or the minutes of the company.

After hearing the arguments, Mr. Cama declared that some of the statements found in the speech of the former Chairman were not only one-sided but also objectionable. Besides, there was practically no reference to the working of the Mills for the year under review. Almost the whole of the written speech was in defence of the mismanagement of the Company, and as it did not form part of the Directors' Report, it was held by he Chairman that the speech should not go on the records of the Company.

MYSTERIOUS LOSS

The meeting then took up for discussion the resolution regarding the adoption of the Directors' Report and the audited statement of accounts for the current year. Starting the discussion on the subject, Mr. Gordhandas Bhagwandas pointed out that other

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PLAN MANIA CONDEMNED

More Co-ordination Suggested

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI).

THE Federation of the Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has suggested to the Government of India that it should immediately set up a central co-ordinating authority to review the various plans of both Central and Provincial Governments and give these plans "a strict order of priority."

Making this suggestion, in a review of Government planning since 1947 released here today, the Federation said that the main reason for the Government plans being given up altogether or slowed down was the absence of a sense of realism and coordination in the formulation of these plans on the part of the Centre and the Provinces.

NO COORDINATION

A study of the planning "mania" that had affected the Central and Provincial Governments showed, the review said, more enthusiasm on the part of the authorities than a concern with the problem of securing the efficiency of the economic mechanism. The planners also failed to bestow enough thought on the financial and physical aspects of the plans.

There was marked absence of co-ordinated effort in formulating plans, as the various Ministries of the Government and Provincial Governments worked in "water-tight compartments." Provincial Governments seemed to be competing for announcing plans.

Giving details of the several plans formulated by the Central and Provincial Governments, and budgetary allocations made by them, the review said that the Governments intended to spend over Rs. 200 crores a year. Unrealistic and wide of the mark, all these schemes and allocations had been was exemplified by the slow progress made by the Governments in the implementation of their schemes.

MERE BLUEPRINTS

Many of the schemes had, the review added, not come out of the exploratory stage, some of them had been abandoned altogether and progress in the case of those that had been worked had been slowed down. The Federation was, therefore, led to the conclusion that most of the Government schemes had remained more or less blueprints.

Haphazard planning by Provincial Governments, most of whom had drawn up their plans in anticipation of the Central Grant for industrial development, the review pointed out, had created "unhealthy influences both on our industrial development and on our national finances." The result had been that heavy losses which were difficult to estimate by way of spending large sums on mere exploration had to be faced.

The authorities, the review said, failed to take into consideration the

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RLY — TENDERS

THE DISTRICT CONTROLLER Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., notifies that the last date for receipt of tenders for supply of fresh milk to the railway canteens at Kalyan, Lonavla, Poona, Dhond, Sholapur, Shahabad, Igatpuri and Manmad has been further extended upto 12 a.m. on 28-1-1950 instead of 23-1-1950 as originally fixed. (6933)

PUBLIC NOTICES

TENDER NOTICE
CENTRAL STORES PURCHASE ORGANISATION.
GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

SEALED TENDERS with samples will be received by the Director of Industries and Central Stores Purchasing Officer, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, on the respective dates, mentioned hereunder for the supply of following articles during the financial year 1950-51, commencing from 1st April 1950.

SCHEDULE I	Tenders due on.	Tenders will be opened on.
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SCHEDULE III		
Textile and clothing material such as Gunny cloth, kamblis, sewing thread, tags etc.	3-2-50	8-2-50
SCHEDULE IV		
Straw boards.	14-2-50	16-2-50
SCHEDULE V.		
Packing cases, for stationery office, Government Central Press, Bombay-Yeravda Prison Press, Poona.	14-2-50	16-2-50
SCHEDULE VI		
Country Leather (Book-Binding) and Leather covers.	14-2-50	16-2-50
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SCHEDULE VIII		
Bicycles.	22-2-50	23-2-50
SCHEDULE IX		
Time Pieces and clocks	22-2-50	23-2-50
SCHEDULE X		
Umbrellas	22-2-50	23-2-50
SCHEDULE XI		
Pencils Blacklead, coloured etc.	22-2-50	23-2-50

Details of articles showing specifications, quality Manufacturers etc. for which tenders are invited and the conditions of Tenders can be obtained on applications from this office free of cost. Tender forms can be had on application from this office during office hours on payment of Rs. 2/- each in case of schedules No. I and VII and Rs. 1/- each in case of schedule Nos. 2 to 6, 10 and 11. Tenders for schedules 8 and 9 may be submitted on tenderers' own forms as no special forms are prescribed for these two schedules.

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Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay,
19-1-1950. (6924)

THE CITY OF BOMBAY MUNICIPAL ACT, 1888.

As modified up to date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 297 (1) (b) of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, as modified up to date, that the undersigned proposes to apply to the Municipal Corporation at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of March, 1950, or on such day thereafter as the said application can conveniently be disposed of, for authority to prescribe a fresh line, in substitution for the existing regular line of the Public Street known as Girgaum Road BETWEEN GOWALIA TANK ROAD AND OPERA HOUSE.

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Every person desirous of making any representation to the Corporation or of bringing before the Corporation any objection respecting the said proposal may do so, by letter addressed to the Municipal Secretary at the Municipal Office, and delivered at the said office not less than three clear days before the day of such meeting.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1950.

B. K. PATEL
Municipal Commissioner
for the City of Bombay
6930

NOTICE

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Applications for this post on the prescribed form (copies of which can be had on application) with testimonials of previous experience, if any, must reach the Principal, Royal Institute of Science, Bombay, on or before Saturday the 4th February, 1950. Two annas stamped envelop with full address of the applicant should accompany enquiry. (6929)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for fifteen posts of teachers of English in Afghanistan. Candidates should have at least a second class degree with teaching qualifications and experience. Appointments will be made on three year contract on following terms:—Salary Rs. 350 to Rs. 500 p.m. according to qualifications; House rent allowance 200 Afghanis' p.m.; passage for self both ways. Candidates called for interview will have to come at their own expense. Selected candidates will be required to join immediately. Applications should be submitted only on prescribed forms obtained from the Secretary, Ministry of Education, Government of India (Al) New Delhi, and should reach the Ministry not later than 15th February 1950. (6909)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES AND SUPPLIES
Office of the Director of Supplies, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

TENDER NOTICE

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G.I.P. RAILWAY TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites sealed tenders for the purchase of empty kerosene oil tins available at General Stores Depot of this Railway at Lower Parel. Forms obtainable from this office at Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13; at Rs. 2/- per copy not refundable. Money Order or cash only. Closing date 6th February, 1950 at 3 p.m. (S.T.) (6923)

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THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of the Policy numbered. 173807 on the life of JIMMY FREDDY NAGARWALLA of HIRA-VILLA, KHAREGAT ROAD, PARSI COLONY, DADAR, BOMBAY, a duplicate policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

B. K. SHAH
General Manager.

Date 20-1-'50. (1533)

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REQUISITION ORDER QUASHED

Based On False Claim Of Tenancy

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati)

Evans Fraser & Co. (India) Ltd. ..... Petitioners
Versus
The Province of Bombay .. Respondent

His Lordship quashed a requisition order passed by the Government of Bombay in respect of a flat in a building known as Raj Mahal at Churchgate Reclamation of which the petitioners were sub-tenants.

The flat in question was maintained by the petitioners in order to provide residential accommodation for their own officers and had been occupied since April 1947 by one of their officers named Ash by way of leave and licence.

On the termination of Ash's service in May 1949, the petitioners called upon him to vacate the flat.

Ash wrote to the petitioners claiming to be a tenant and forwarded a copy of the letter to the landlord who thereupon gave intimation of vacancy to the respondent-government.

The petitioners thereupon wrote to the Controller that the Government should not take action in the matter without hearing the petitioners.

Pursuant to a consent decree, Ash handed over possession of the flat to the petitioners on July 15, 1949 and left Bombay. On the same day one Manz claimed possession of the flat under a requisition order made by the Government under section 6(4) of the Requisition Act.

The petitioners challenged the validity of the order on the ground that it had been made without hearing them.

His Lordship held that Ash had merely been a licensee of the petitioners and that the requisition order on the basis of the false claim of tenancy by Ash was bad in law as there had been no vacancy within the meaning of section 6. His Lordship therefore issued Writs of Certiorari and prohibition against Government.

Mr. N. A. Palkhiwalla and Mr. R. J. Kolah instructed by Messrs. Malvi Ranchhoddas and Co., appeared for the petitioners.

Mr. G. N. Joshi instructed by Messrs. Little and Co., appeared for the respondent.

TRAVANCORE COAST FISHING

Motion In Assembly

TRIVANDRUM, Jan. 19 (PTI): Difficulties caused to 60,000 fishermen along the 184-mile coast of the Travancore-Cochin Union by inshore operations of deep-sea fishing vessels was the subject of an adjournment motion in the Legislative Assembly yesterday.

The mover Mr K. S. Achyuthan, said that steam-fishing vessels of the West Coast Fisheries (in which Government have 50,000 ten rupees shares) conducted sea fishing operations. This, he said, "imposed starvation upon the already half-starved fishermen of the coast from Cape Comorin to Trivandrum".

Mr. E. John Philipose, Minister in charge, in his reply informed the House that vessels of the West Coast Fisheries had not at any time carried out fishing operations within ten miles of the shore. He said Government policy was to help fishermen and they had taken up housing schemes for fishermen at Cape Comorin, Colachel and Quilon.

In the light of Government assurance, Mr. Achyuthan withdrew the motion.

MADRAS DEFICIT CUT DOWN

More Revenue From Sales Tax

MADRAS, January 19. (PTI): Mr. B. Gopala Reddi, Finance Minister, Madras, to-day told pressmen that the anticipated deficit of about Rs. four crores of the Provincial Government's budget for the present year was likely to be narrowed down considerably.

In the light of the actual figures now available, the Minister thought the deficit might be somewhere near "a few lakhs". This improvement in budgetary position was made possible by the increased returns under the Sales Tax Act and Motor Vehicles Tax Act

MADRAS JUDGES CUT SALARY

MADRAS, Jan. 16 (UPI): The Chief Justice of the Madras High Court Mr. P. V. Rajamannar and all the Indian Puisne Judges have decided to surrender voluntarily Rs. 750 and Rs. 500 respectively per mensem from their pay with effect from January 1950. The only two Europeans who will receive their original pay are Justice Horwill and Justice Mack.

Mr. K. Santhanam

BOMBAY, Wednesday.—The Hon'ble Mr. Santhanam, Minister of state for Railways and Transport, Government of India, who had been here on a short official visit of four days left for New Delhi this morning by the Air India plane.

Saurashtra Assembly

BOMBAY, Thursday (UPI): His Highness the Rajpramukh of Saurashtra will inaugurate the first session of the Saurashtra Constituent Assembly tomorrow when he will address the members of the Assembly. Later, His Highness will leave for Jamnagar.

AVOIDING MISUSE OF INSURANCE FUNDS

Government's Ordinance

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (PTI).

THE Government of India today issued an ordinance covering certain provisions of the Insurance Act (Amendment) Bill.

A press not issued by the Commerce Ministry says:—The bill to amend the Insurance Act, 1938, which was introduced in the 1949 autumn session of the Constituent Assembly of India (Legislative) and referred to a Select Committee, contains provisions that aim at preventing designing financiers from acquiring control of life insurance companies and using insurance funds for speculative purposes and to the detriment of policy-holders.

The Select Committee was to have reported during the last session itself, but owing to pressure of work, the time for receipt of this report has had to be extended to the second week of the Budget Session, 1950.

It has been suggested that the delay in the coming into effect of this legislation may be exploited by such designing financiers and that it would then be difficult to rectify any damage that might have been done. An ordinance incorporating the provisions of the bill considered most essential for the purpose of safeguarding the interests of policy-holders is, therefore, promulgated today (January 19, 1950).

This ordinance will secure:—(1) Prohibition of acquisition of further shares of insurance companies beyond five per cent in the case of individuals and two and half per cent in the case of banks.

(2) Restriction on voting rights to these limits even if actual existing holdings are in excess of these limits.

(3) Restriction on investments by life insurance companies outside certain categories of approved investments.

(4) Powers to the Central Government to appoint an Investigator to enquire into the affairs of an insurer.

(5) Powers to the Central Government to appoint an Administrator for management of an insurance company where they have reason to believe that the insurer is acting in a manner likely to be prejudicial to the interests of the policy-holders.

"REBEL" LEADER ADAMANT

U. P. Congress Split

LUCKNOW, Jan. 18, (PTI): Mr. Triloki Singh, leader of the "minority group" in the U. P. Legislature Congress Party, who was one of the signatories to the memorandum submitted by certain members of the party to the Congress President, in a statement said: "I stand by every word of what has been alleged by 101 signatories in the representation to the President, A.I.C.C., and I am prepared to substantiate it, provided that proper opportunities are afforded to me for producing oral and documentary evidence."

The complaint, he added, was before the A.I.C.C. and "strangely enough during enquiry the party complained against has taken disciplinary action against the complainants obviously muzzling enquiry."

The executive of the party, which met on January 16, called upon Mr. Triloki Singh "to appear personally before the next meeting on January 20 and explain why he should not be expelled from the party."

Mr. Triloki Singh left for Delhi last night.

STRIKING TEACHERS NOT WANTED

West Bengal Directive

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19. (PTI:- The principals of Calcutta colleges, meeting here yesterday, decided that no university or college should engage the services of teachers and admit students against whom disciplinary action had been taken by any college authority.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University Mr. C. C. Biswas, who called the conference to consider the disturbed situation in Calcutta of certain Calcutta colleges, presided.

The conference which was attended by principals of Government and non-Government colleges including medical colleges in the city approved the action of the principal of Bangabasi College who had closed the institution sine die in view of the action of certain members of the teaching staff in organising a strike.

INDORE DETENUS ON HUNGER-STRIKE

GWALIOR, Jan. 18. (PTI): Seventeen Communist prisoners lodged in the Indore Central Jail are on hunger strike since January 9 demanding special class treatment, it is officially stated here today. Three more joined the strikers on January 15. The condition of one of the strikers is reported to be serious.

Other demands of the hunger-strikers are that the cases of all the under-trial political prisoners should be decided within a fortnight or else they should be released, each prisoner should be entitled for a family allowance, daily allowance and other initial expenses, the Maintenance of Public Order Act should immediately be repealed and the Mazdoor Sangh and the Communist Party should be declared lawful bodies and Civil liberties should be granted to everyone

A TRAGEDY AVERTED

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 18. (PTI): Thousands of people today thronged the Sangam for a holy dip on the occasion of Mauni Amawasya. They came from all over the country.

About 34 persons were thrown into the water in the Sangam when their boats met with accidents but all of them were saved by members of the Human Life Saving Society, the river police and the All-India Agarwal Seva Samity.

'PAN' AIRLIFT TO BAHREIN

BOMBAY, Thursday (PTI): The Indian community in Bahrein has been assured of weekly air-borne supplies of "pan" or betel leaves for which there is a brisk demand there.

A consignment of 25 lbs. of betel leaves was flown from Bombay to Baherein this week. About 75 lbs of "pan" was sent there during the last three weeks by air.

Bombay which commenced the "air-lift" of "pan" last month will continue the weekly quota of 25 lbs. to Bahrein regularly.

Ahmedabad Profiteers Arrested

AHMEDABAD, January 19. (PTI): Three iron merchants have been arrested on the charge of selling one ton of steel for Rupees one thousand instead of the controlled rate of Rupees 385. The enforcement offices of the Government of India had sent a "bogus" customer" with marked currency notes to investigate.

PATNA, Jan. 18. (PTI): The Bihar Government granted rupees five thousand as financial assistance towards the holding of the thirtieth annual session of the Institution of Engineers (India) which commences its session from January 28 to February 3, 1950.

Mr. A. N. Khosla, Chairman of the Central Water Ways, Irrigation and Navigation Commission, Government of India, will preside over the session.

PAKISTAN'S CHOICE FOR HINDUS

Embrace Islam Or Quit

BOMBAY, Thursday (UPI) "Embrace Islam" or "Quit Pakistan" was the choice given to 152 Hindus in Pakistan, who ultimately decided to leave Pakistan. These refugees arrived in Bombay today from Pakistan by s.s. 'Saraswati'

In an interview to the United Press of India, the spokesman of today's batch said that Hindus in Pakistan were being compelled to flee to India on one flimsy pretext or another "Not content with despoiling us of our business and property, the Pakistan Government went to the length of depriving us of our standing crops also, he stated.

"Our religious susceptibilities he added, "have also been wounded. Temples and mandirs in Sind have been forcibly occupied by Muslim refugees and all our appeals to the authorities for restoration of those places have fallen on deaf ears.

It was also revealed by the refugees that about 50,000 Hindus still remained in Sind who could not come to India for want of fare money. The refugees are being sent to Mashrul Camp, near Nasik.

INDIAN MERCHANTS CHAMBER

Mr. Ruia Nominated For Vice-Presidentship

BOMBAY, Thursday The Democratic Group of the Indian Merchants Chamber, at a meeting held this evening, nominated Mr. Madan Mohan Ruia to contest the election for the Vice-Presidentship of the Chamber on January 24

In its election campaign the Group states that Mr Ruia has been a very active member of the Chamber's Committee, and he combines business prestige with wide industrial experience.

The Group has also nominated 20 members of the Chamber to contest the election to the Managing Committee of the Chamber Among the nominees are Mrs Lilavati Munshi, Mr. Bhavan A. Khimji and 18 others.

Mr. R. G. Saraiya has already been elected President of the Chamber on the Democratic Group ticket.

NO CO-ORDINATION IN GOVERNMENT POLICY

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (UPI) The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry in a 28-page review of the development plans of Government says that "one essential feature that emerges in the patent is lack of co-ordination in the development policies of the Central and Provincial Governments. It is evident that most of the schemes of the Central and Provincial Governments are meeting with their natural fate.

The review which deals with the various development plans drawn up by the Central and Provincial Governments during the past two or three years in the fields of agriculture, housing, power resources etc., gives broad outlines of these plans along with the estimated costs and also the budgetary provisions.

TRADE UNION RIGHTS IN INDIA

Committee Set Up In London

BOMBAY, Thursday (UPI) A committee for the defence of the Indian trade union rights has been set up in London, which includes the four labour independent M.P.s—Mr D. N. Pritt, K.C., Mr. John Platts-Mills, Mr. Lester Hutchinson, and Mr. L. J Solley, according to information received by the A.I.T.U.C., Bombay.

Mr. Bradley who is a former Meerut prisoner is Chairman of the Committee.

The Committee is to publicise among all sections of the British labour movement the facts concerning the arrests of trade unionists in India and their detention without charge or trial, the "persecution" of the working class, press and the denial of basic civil liberties.

MUNICIPAL TEACHERS' PROCESSION

Deputation To Mayor

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Over 250 temporary teachers employed in the Marathi primary municipal schools of the city today marched in procession to the Corporation building from the Gilder Tank maidan to ventilate their grievances. The processionists, carrying placards and shouting slogans, were stopped by the Police outside the building, where a meeting of the Corporation was proceeding.

Their main demand is that they should be put on the permanent service, as they maintain they are losing allowances and other facilities by their continuing in the temporary cadre. A spokesman pointed out that all of them have put in considerable service, ranging from two to five years.

Later a seven-man deputation met the Mayor and the Municipal Commissioner and represented their grievances to them.

CITY MORTALITY UP

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The mortality 732 was 28 more than in the preceding week and the death rate recorded was 25.5 on the census population of 1941 as against 766 deaths and the death rate 26.7 for the 2nd week of 1949. The death rate, calculated on the actual population (27,40,933) was 13.9. The average mortality for the corresponding week of the preceding quinquennium was 757 and the death rate 26.4. Out of the total deaths 180 were among infants under one year of age.

Cholera and plague were absent during the week. Smallpox caused 12 attacks (including one case imported from Malad) and 5 deaths. There were 28 attacks (including 5 imported one each from Bandra, Poona, Katgirl, Goregaon, Vile Parle) and 7 deaths from typhoid fever.

Live births registered during the week were 1242 and the birth rate was 43.3 as against 1116 and 39.0 the births and birth rate respectively for the 2nd week of 1949. The birth rate calculated on the actual population 27,40,933) comes to 23.6. The average number of births registered during the 2nd week of the quinquennium 1945-1949 was 1067.

Compounders' Union

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The general body meeting of the compounders' union was held under the presidency of Dr. Shrikant Doshi at the union offices. Quite a good number of members were present at the meeting. Report of the progress done was read by the secretary, Shri Bachubhai.

Dr. Shrikant Doshi addressing the members emphasised the need for strengthening the union by hard work and asked them to be ready for the achievement of their manifold demands for basic salary, dearness allowance, privilege leave, sick leave, provident fund, gratuity, etc. by the force of their united fight and struggle.

Pedestrians Note

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The Police and the WIAA have made frequent appeals to motorists to be cautious when driving in order to avoid risks, particularly during peak hours.

Pedestrians, you have a right to use the roads only where there are no pavements. For crossing, walk across the road only at right angles. Stop, look and proceed after satisfying your passage is clear and safe.

Jai Hind College Show

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The Jai Hind College lived up to the promise which it held out at last year's show when it put up a performance at St Xavier's College Hall on January 18 and 19 to appreciative audiences.

Placed in the 11th century, when Junagadh and Gujerat formed part of Greater Sind, the story of Rai Dyach centres round the sanctity of the spoken word and the potent power of music over the minds and hearts of men

Mohan Advani, the creator of this dance ballet, easily stole the show by the delicately finished artistry of his interpretation of Bijal, a wandering minstrel who went about weaving magic spells of the twin arts of song and dance Closely following him in excellent performances were Miss Hiroo Mansukhani, Miss Mohini Thadani and Miss Padmi Vaswani, each of whom brought to bear upon her respective role a keen insight into the art of dance.

Prof. Ram Panjwani wrote the story and music, and put across a fine performance with his devotional songs, which linked up the four scenes of the story of Rai Dyach, a folk-tale of ancient Sind.

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CONGRESS CULTURAL PROGRAMME

Study Circle Set Up In City

BOMBAY, Thursday: The 'D' Ward Dist. Congress Committee have set up a Study Circle with a view to educating the intelligentia in matters concerning day to day affairs and civic and political problems. This 'Study Circle' will arrange group meetings and other cultural functions under the auspices of the 'D' Ward Dist. Congress Committee.

Office-bearers of the 'D' Ward Dist. Congress Committee including its President Shri Y. K. Khadikar are responsible for the setting up of this 'Study Circle'. Shri Zamindar, who is in charge of a library at Kennedy Bridge will be the Secretary of this 'Circle'.

The formal inauguration will be performed on Saturday, January 21, at the hands of the Mayor of Bombay, Shri S. K. Patil, when he will address the first meeting of the 'Circle' at the People's Hall at 6 p.m.

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Prohibition Branch of the Greater Bombay Police picked up 398 cases, arrested 159 persons and seized 212 gallons of illicit liquor, 7,072 gallons of wash, 82 gallons of spirit and one gallon of foreign liquor, during the week ended January 12 last.

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Sunrise 7-15 a.m. Sunset 6-25 p.m.
Hightide 01-34, 13-28 Lowtide 07-54, 1924.

Today's Engagements

WILSONIAN ASSOCIATION: Debate on "Man cannot be made Moral by Acts of Parliament", at Wilson College, 5 p.m

BOMBAY CIVIC ASSOCIATION: Mr. Dinkar Desai to speak on "Primary Education in Bombay and Government's Default", at Servants of India Society Building, Sandhurst Road, 6 p.m.

BOMBAY BRANCH ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY: Screening of educational, interesting and informative films by the British Information Services at the Town Hall, 6 p.m.

THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study class on "What is Memory according to Theosophy", at Jehangir Wadia Building, 6-15 p.m.

CITIZENS PARLIAMENT: Symposium on the new Constitution of India, at Blavatsky Lodge, 6-15 p.m.

KHALSA COLLEGE, Matunga: Annual Social Gathering, 4-30 p.m. on college grounds, Mr. K. G. Saiyidain presiding.

The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Wards Nos. 3 and 4—Bori Bunder and Mandvi—will go round at 8-30 a.m. to meet residents of the wards.

THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COS. LTD.: The Thirteenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held today, at 4 p.m. (S. T.), at the Company's Registered Office at No. 1, Queen's Road, Fort, (Opp: Churgate Railway Station).

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meeting at 3 p.m. (Bombay Time)

THE CITIZENS' PARLIAMENT Symposium on the Constitution of India at the Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge. Prof. M. R. Palande, Prof. G. D. Parikh, and Shri P. R. Lele. will speak

A function was arranged in the Exhibition ground at Azad Maidan, under the presidentship of Sjt. Jayantilal Sanghvi to felicitate the organisers of the Indian Republic Exhibition and place the views of the stall-holders before the organisers. Sjt. Jayantilal thanked the chief organiser Sjt. Chimanbhai I Patel, and Messrs. Sultanbhai and Ratibhai and others for the reduction in entrance fees to annas five at the special request of the stall-holders. He also praised the decision of the organisers to contribute 60 per cent of their income in charities.

Replying Sjt. Chimanbhai Patel thanked the stall-holders for their co-operation. He urged the stall-holders to make the Exhibition a grand success. On his part, he showed his readiness to add to the existing entertainment features of the Exhibition.

Overseas Mails

The next despatch of overseas mails for Ceylon, Australia, Fiji Islands and New Zealand will be made from Bombay on January 22, 1950, by RMS "Strathnaver."

Mails arriving in Bombay Foreign Post upto 6 p.m. on January 21 will be included in the despatch subject to limit of shipping space.

SECURITY ACT TO BE RECAST?

Home Minister's Hint

BOMBAY, Thursday.

From the stars whirling in infinite space to the day-to-day happenings on Terra Firma, from the inexorable law of Karma and pre-destination to the administration of the Public Security Measures' Act, a wide range of subjects were touched upon by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, at his weekly Press Conference, at the Civil Secretariat, today.

A hint about 'recasting" the Public Security Measures' Act after its expiry in March next was made by the Home Minister, who however did not say in what the 'recasting" consisted. He said that it was wrong to presume that this Act was intended to apply only to political violence. As a matter of fact, the Act could be used even against criminals, who threatened human life and safety with their violent propensities.

The Home Minister, however, uttered a warning against the misuse of the Act by the Police. Always, when Government's attention had been drawn to instances wherein the Act had been misapplied, Government had taken action against the officers responsible.

He stated that he had not received any application recently from communist detenues indicating a change of heart and asking for release. The father of a detenue had however made such an application.

Asked by a reporter if the 11,000 and odd detected breaches of the Prohibition Law within a period of ten months last year, did not constitute an alarming prospect for the success of Prohibition when it is put into effect in toto in April next, the Home Minister said that this only indicated that the police had become more vigilant in detection. He expected that the detection would increase in course of time, and such offences would be reduced to a minimum. "I am 100 per cent certain that prohibition breaches will become less and less", he said.

RACING

Referring to the future of Racing in Bombay Province, Mr. Morarji said that they were not going to raise the Betting Tax at present, as the Club was complaining of fall in revenues. But, if he found that the RWITC, was making large profits, then would raise the question of reconsidering the Betting Tax.

The Home Minister stated that the date for the meeting of the Budget Session of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, had not yet been taken, but would be decided within a day or so.

Turning from the serious to the light, Mr. Morarji said that while he believed in Astrology as an exact science, he did not believe in astrologers, most of whom practised for money and had no holiness to speak of. He felt that the stars did not govern the lives of men, but only indicated the events all of which were pre-determined by the "inexorable law of Karma".

Mr. Desai mentioned that his destiny had been revealed to him once by referring to the Indian classic, Chhaya Samhita. He had been told all his future to the minutest details, including how many times he would go to jail.

Q:—Any good things in store for you according to that prediction?

A:—All that happens to me is good. I take it in that light. No one can escape his Karma, which has to unravel and fulfil itself. Another astrologer, all of whose predictions had gone awry, except the astounding forecast that he would resign from Government service when he was 35 years old.

He had resigned after entering his 35th year nine years after the forecast, but not because he was influenced by it. As a matter of fact he remembered the prediction much later.

Mr. Morarji promised to look into a case in which some refugees at Koliwada, who came to Bombay after the partition and the riots preceding it, being assessed for the Riot Tax.

He said that though Government had decided to shift the present Umerkhadi Children's Home, to work out the details and implement it would take time.

RAIN AND SNOW IN PUNJAB

All-India Weather

POONA, Jan. 19. (P.T.I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday:—

The western disturbance is still persisting over the West Punjab and is active. It has induced a feeble secondary over Sind and the adjoining parts of West Rajasthan.

Widespread rain or snow-fall has occurred in North-East Punjab with a few falls in East Rajasthan, Saurashtra and the hills of the West United Provinces.

Night temperatures continued markedly above normal in Cutch, Rajasthan, the East Punjab and the West United Provinces.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL FRIDAY EVENING: Rain or snow will be widespread in the East Punjab and the hills of the West United Provinces. A few falls of rain are also likely in the plains of the West United Provinces, in Rajasthan, Cutch and the western districts of Saurasthtra.

Night temperatures will fall appreciably in Rajasthan, Saurashtra and Cutch.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING: Locally moderate to heavy rain or snow is likely in the hills of the East Punjab during the next 24 hours.

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st December, 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m. (I. S. T.), on 19th January, 1950:—

Ahmedabad 82 63 0 0 minus 0.1, Aurangabad 87 59 0 0 minus 0.5, Bangalore 82 56 0 0 minus 0.6, Baroda 84 59 0 0 0, Bhavnagar 85 61 0 0 minus 0.1, Bhopal 85 58 0 0 minus 0.2, Bhuj 79 66 0 0 minus 0.1, BOMBAY 82 69 0 0 minus 0.2, Cawnpore 81 55 0 0 minus 0.7, Cherrapunji 58 46 0 0.2 minus 0.6, Darjeeling 47 36 0 0.4 minus 0.1, Dehra Dun 68 52 0 1.0 minus 1.0, Gulbarga 87 60 0 0 minus 0.3, Hanam Konda 88 62 0 0 minus 0.6, Honavar 82 66 0 0 —, Hyderabad (Dn.) 88 54 0 0 minus 0.5, Indore 84 55 0 0 minus 0.5, Jaipur 79 55 0 0 minus 0.5, Jubbulpore 86 51 0 0 minus 0.9, Khandwa 90 59 0 0 minus 0.6, Kodaikanal 65 47 0 0.4 minus 7.4, Kolhapur 88 58 0 0 —, Kurnool 87 61 0 0 minus 0.3, Mahabaleshwar 77 53 0 0 minus 0.4, Mangalore 84 70 0 0 minus 0.6, Mercara 79 57 0 0 minus 0.8, Mussoorie 57 43 0 1.0 minus 1.3, Ootacamund 69 37 0 0 2.7, Pachmarhi 79 50 0 0 minus 0.8, Palamkottah — 0 1.0 minus 4.5, Poona 90 57 0 0 minus 0.2, Rajkot 33 58 0 0 minus 0.1, Shillong 57 38 0 0.6 plus 0.1, Sholapur 89 63 0 0 minus 0.5, Simla 48 37 0.1 1.8 minus 0.8, Surat 85 62 0 0 minus 0.1.

The Pulse Of The City

PROFITEERING CHARGE: Ratansi Nemchand, a Mahim merchant and his servant Jivraj Hazashah were arrested for selling sugar above the control rate. Police also seized 1,272 lbs of sugar from the shop. The accused were allowed bail by the Mazagoan Presidency Magistrate.

ANOTHER ARRESTED: Another alleged culprit Chamangul Syadgulam of the recent Central Bank dacoity case was arrested by the police at Ambernath and recovered Rs. 7,915 from his house. The suspect was remanded into police custody.

TEXTILE ORDER BREACH: Somnath Narmadashanker, Vasanji Bhavanji and Babulal Baghwanji cloth merchants at Navil Gully, Mangaldas Market, were arrested for alleged selling of Century Mill 'mul' cloth above the control price to a bogus customer. Mazagoan Court Presidency Magistrate granted bail to the accused.

RECEIVED STOLEN PROPERTY: Ghulam Mustafa Ghulamrasool and Hasan Karim Mohamed Jasim were arrested Wednesday, for alleged receiving of stolen property. Police at the Esplanade Court stated that a part of the Eversharp pens worth Rs. 25,000 stolen from Allahabad, sometime back was recovered from the accused. The accused were remanded to police custody.

PROFITEER SENTENCED: Namdesh Premchand, a Sindhi merchant accused of selling ten pieces of 'mul' cloth above controlled price was sentenced to two months' R I plus fine of Rs. 1,000.

THEFT CHARGE: Verghese Paul along with Manohar Kashiram, employees of a Chemical Works, Frere Road, were arrested, Wednesday, on a charge of stealing large quantities of patent medicines drugs from the firm. Police recovered 40,000 tablets of sulfadiozine, valued at Rs. 9,000. They were bailed out.

ARRESTED: Kewalchand Mehta, partner of Kapurchand and Sons Ltd., was arrested, Wednesday, for alleged storing of inflammable material in the godown contrary to Government's orders, resulting in a fire that gutted the godown two weeks back. He was bailed out.

DUPED: Mohamed Sadiq, who wanted to exchange Pakistan currency for Indian currency approached his friend, Tuesday and was asked to go to the Reserve Bank where he was introduced to a man who was wearing the uniform of a peon. Sadiq handed over Rs. 10,460 to the peon and was handed over a box said to contain Rs. 35,000 as security. Two hours later the complainant realised that he had been duped. One of the friends, Alam Khan Jaffarkhan has been taken into custody. Two other suspects are absconding.

CHEATING CHARGE: Madav Atmaram was induced by a man to part with Rs. 300 when a promise was held out to him of a room in Lady Jamshedji Road. There was of course no room, and the police who arrested the alleged cheat feel that several other persons have similarly been cheated.

GAMBLING ARREST: Jamal Ganu was arrested by the Andheri police for accepting Satta bets. Marked coins amounting to Rs. 18 were recovered from him. He was released on bail.

KIDNAPPING: Mariambai Sidikali was arrested for kidnapping a 13-year old girl by the Andheri Police, Tuesday. The girl wh was about to be sent to her husband's place had gone to her uncle's house, but was kidnapped on her way.

LOSS OF PETROL COUPONS

A Warning

As a number of applications for issue of fresh petrol coupons in lieu of lost ones are being received by the Rationing Authorities the motoring public is warned to take necessary precautions against the loss of petrol coupons, special receipts or licences, for such loss will ordinarily not be made good by the Rationing Authorities except in genuine cases and that, too, to a certain extent. They are advised to notify the loss of cupons etc. to the Police Authorities and the Area Rationing Authority concerned, immediately after the loss is noticed, with details such as serial numbers and the value in units of the coupons lost.

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HIRACHAND RESIGNS

BOMBAY, Thursday (PTI): Mr. Walchand Hirachand, Founder-Director and Chairman of the Scindia Steam Navigation Company for the last 20 years, has resigned, it was officially stated here today. Mr. D. M. Khatau has succeeded Mr. Walchand.

TODAY'S RADIO

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20.

Air News From Delhi

English—8 a.m. 1-30 p.m 6, 9; Gujerati—8-45 a.m. 1 p.m., 8-15; Hindustani 8-15 a.m 1-40 p.m 6-10, 9-15; Kannada—7-40 a.m., 7-45 p.m. Malayalam—7-30 a.m., 7-30 p.m., Marathi—8-30 a.m 12-50 p.m. 8; Tamil 7-15 a.m., 2 p.m. 7-15 p.m.; Telugu—7 a.m. 1-50 p.m 7.

BOMBAY

7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee, 7-35 Physical education, 7-40 Today's programme, 7-45 D. Kumar, bhajan, 8-15 Saraswati Rane, kh. vilambit, 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari, 12-50 G. Geet, 1-40 Modern classics, 5-0 Hindi by radio, 5-20 Mangala Ranade, bhimpalas, 5-30 M. Safi, surbahar, 6-10 Music lessons, 6-30 Saraswati Rane, puria, 7-0 Sunanda Kirtikar, bhavgeet, 7-10 Locals, 7-20 G Geet, 7-30 Mangala Ranade, shankara, 7-45 For industrial workers, 9-15 D. Kumar, geet, 9-30 Film songs, 9-45 Story of philosophy (middle age), 10-0 F. Quinn, tenor, 10-10 W. Herman's orch. 10-30 Dhun Nasikwala, dance music.

VARIATIONS: 8-0 a.m. M. Shah, surbahar, 8-45 Saraswati Rane, pad. 1-0 p.m. Sunanda Kirtikar, bhavgeet, 1-10 Preetee Pushpen, 1-50 For women, 5-0 Hindi by radio, 6-0 Master Balakram, bhajan, 6-20 For rural listeners, 7-30 Commercial news, 8-15 Master Balakram, geet, 8-30 B. Shirdhankar, "sagarachiya talashi" 8-45 Month's song, M, 9-0 M. Shafi and L. K. Kunte, sitar, clarionet, 10-0 Variety, 10-30 Saraswati Rane, kh. vilambit.

BARODA

7-30 Air quartet, 7-40 Physical educatino, 7-45 K. L. Jadhav, paraj, 8-15 As in Ahmedabad, 8-30 A. S. Mistry, bhajan, 5-30 p.m. L. R. Datey, tabla, 5-45 As is Ahmedabad, 6-10 Hindi lessons, 6-30 For rural listeners, 7-0 As in Ahmedabad, 7-15 Mooliya parivartan, G, 7-30 L. R. Datey, tabla, 7-45 A. S. Mistry, bhajan, 8-0 Geet palavi, 8-10 Locals, 8-30 As in Ahmedabad, 9-15 Indian music, 9-30 Listeners' requests.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 a.m. As in Baroda, 7-40 Physical education, 7-45 As in Baroda, 8-15 Vandana, 5-30 p.m. As in Baroda, 5-45 R. R. Dave, banat banaun, 6-20 Hindi lessons, 6-30 C. Tapodhan, G geet, 6-45 R. R. Dave, kh. desh, 7-0 Film songs, 7-15 Mooliya parivartan, G, 7-30 For industrial workers, 8-0 C. Tapodhan, geets, 8-10 Locals, 8-30 R. R. Dave, kh. b. v. and drut, 9-15 Indian music, 9-30 R. More, tabla, 9-45 C. Tapodhan, geets.

GANDHIJI'S DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Bombay Programme

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The second death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi would be observed in Bombay with a series of lectures delivered by leaders of various political parties and different schools of thought, including Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, Mr. Shankerrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, and Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay and President of the B.P.C.C., the United Press of India learns.

The object of the lectures, which will be delivered under the auspices of the Loka Seva Sangh, is to bring together leaders of different political parties on a common platform with a view to achieving a certain measure of uniformity in outlook on matters bearing on such social problems as literacy and prohibition.

NETAJI'S BIRTHDAY B.P.C.C. PLANS

BOMBAY, Thursday: The B.P.C.C. has arranged a meeting to celebrate the birthday of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose on January 23, at the People's Hall at 6-30 p.m. Close associates of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose like Maj. Gen. Jagannathrao Bhonsale, Director of Rehabilitation of the Government of Bombay: Shri S. A. Iyer, Director of Publicity, Govt. of Bombay; and Shri Nathalal D. Parikh are being approached to address this meeting.

Shri S. K. Patil, President, B.P.C.C. and Mayor of Bombay will ppreside.

CONGRESS BODY IN MAHARASHTRA

P. C. C. To Meet

BOMBAY, Thursday (UPI): Questions relating to the Congress organisation in Maharashtra will be considered by Maharashtra Congressmen at a five-day camp conference convened by the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee in the second week of February, UPI learned here today.

The conference, which will commence on February 8, and conclude on February 12, will review the situation in the Province since the Mahableshwar session of the Conference last year and chalk out future plan of activities.

The Premier of Bombay and other Ministers of the Bombay Cabinet are expected to attend the Conference which will be held in the Mashrol camp near Nasik.

Bombay Loan To Sarvodaya Society

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A loan of Rs. 28,000 to the Mahatma Gandhi Sarvodaya Multi-purpose Society Limited, Mahableshwar, for purchasing two trucks, has been sanctioned by the Government of Bombay.

The loan, which is at 3 1/2 per cent rate of interest, is repayable in ten equal annual instalments. The society will not declare a dividend at a rate exceeding 3 per cent. so long as it has not repaid the loan in full.

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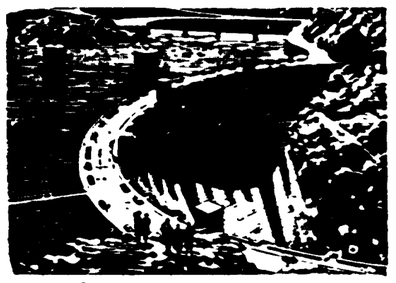

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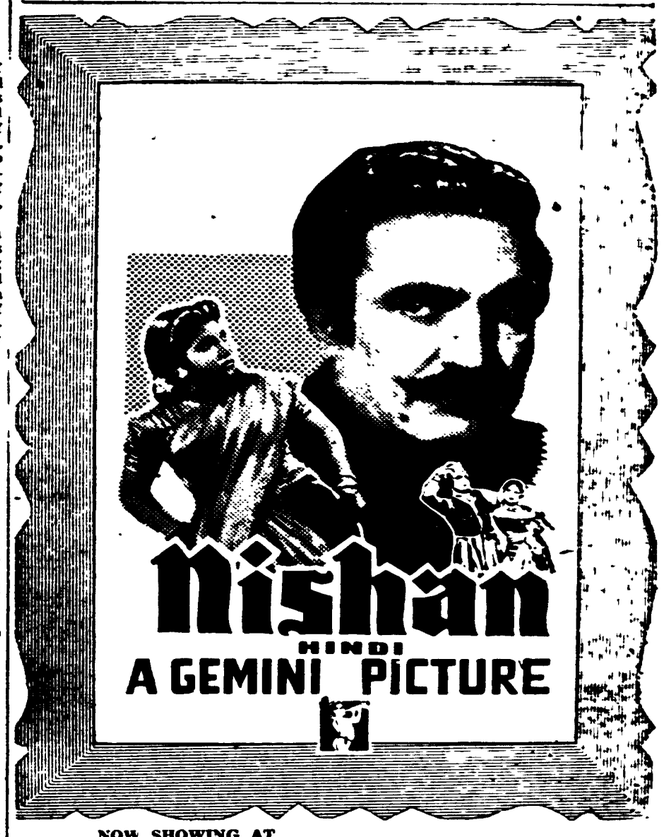

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Planning Commission For India

CONGRESS CABINET SUGGESTION

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19, (UPI):—After three-day deliberations over the economic situation in the country, the Congress Working Committee today recommended the setting up of a statutory planning commission by the Government of India in order that the declarations of the Congress as also the directive principles of the constitution are made effective in as short a time as possible.

The Planning Commission should be a compact body composed of persons, whose selection is made primarily with a view that the outlook of the commission is in harmony with the basic ideas which should govern the plan and that it possesses a comprehensive understanding of the administrative, social, political and economic needs and conditions of the country.

The Commission should be assisted by boards of experts who may together be able to provide it wih all the information and advice necessary for the adequate performatice of its functions.

DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

The Planning Commission would have the following duties:—

(1) To make a full assessment of the resources and the requirements of the nation.

(2) To determine priorities, to work out a proper allocation and distribution of the resources and their constant adjustment to the changing requirements with a view to obtaining the speediest and the maximum realization of the objectives of the plan.

(3) To lay down the various stages, each covering a defined period, for the development of the country economy and to undertake the necessary proporatory work in connection with each stage.

(4) To secure full and all round coordination in the process of planning and in the execution of the plan.

FULL TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION

Following is the full text of the resolution adopted by the Working Committee on the economic situation in the country:—

Recognition of the vital role of planning in the development of our national economy and the realization of the people's aspirations for social justice and progress led to the appoinment of the National Planning Committee in the year 1938.

Working under the limitations, inseparable from the political conditions of the period in which it functioned, the Committee achieved valuable result in making the conception of planning familiar in the country and in carrying through a great deal of spade work.

In modern conditions of life no country can hope to administer its affairs with success or with any degree of satisfaction to the people without recourse to the powerful instrument of social and economic planning. The need for a comprehensive plan has become a matter of compelling urgency in India now owing to the ravages of the second world war and the economic and political consequences of the partition of the country which followed in the wake of the achievement of freedom, and the steady worsening of the economic situation in India and the world.

The tasks of a planning body for India have already been set by the course of the country's struggle for freedom. What the economic content of the people's freedom should be has been indicated in general terms in the resolutions and manifestos of the Indian National Congress, in the pronouncements of Mahatma Gandhi and other Congress leaders and in the Congress economic programme.

The vision which inspired the people of India through the various phases of the non-violent revolution which made the country free was of a land from which poverty, unemployment, ignorance, inequality and exploitation would be banished and in which every person would find work suitable to his talents and capacity and have the wherewithal of a decent life.

With the achievement of complete independence, it becomes the paramount duty of the Congress to take immediate steps for the fulfilment of its solemn pledges and for producing the conditions in which the people's creative energies and enthusiasm can be evoked and harnessed in the fullest measure in the great endeavour to bring info being a just and progressive social order.

DIRECTIVE PRINCIPLES

The Constitution which the people of India have just adopted embodies certain Directive Principles of State Policy which have also in intimate bearing on the forms of social and economic organisation to be evolved and which must be rendered by the planning authority.

In order that the declarations of the Congress and the directive principles of the Constitution are made effective in as short a time as possible, it is desirable that a Statutory Planning Commission be set up by the Government of India.

The Planning Commission should be a compact body composed of persons, whose selection is made primarily with the view that the outlook of the Commission is in harmony with the basic ideas which should govern the plan and that it possesses a comprehensive understanding of the administrative, social, political and economic needs and conditions of the country.

BOARDS OF EXPERTS

The Commission should be assisted by boards of experts who may together be able to provide it with all the information and advice necessary for the adequate performance of its functions. The Commission should be equipped with a special statistical organisation and should be in a position to make use of the administrative machinery of the country for the collection of the requisite statistical and factual material. In order to bring the plan and its execution into tune with the needs and aspirations of the people the Commission should devise measures to secure their association and co-operation at all levels.

PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES

The principal objectives to be realised through such a plan are:

(1) The establishment of a just order of society, providing for:

(a) the operation of the priciples of decentralisation, co-operation, and individual freedom to the utmost feasible extent,

(b) Equal opportunity for all,

(c) Adequate means of living for all,

(d) Just and humane conditions of work,

(e) Full and suitable employment, and

(f) The growth of the human personality in all its aspects.

(2) Adequate and expanding volume of production to secure a progressive rise in the standard of living and the achievement of a national minimum in respect of all the essentials for physical and social well-being, within a reasonable period,

(3) The best utilisation of the material and human resources of the nation and the improvement of the skill and the productive capacity of its man-power by suitable technical education and training.

(4) As near an approach to national and regional self-sufficiency as would be compatible with the reuiqrements of an adequate standard of living and the country's internal and external security.

DUTIES

The Planning Commission should have the following duties:

(1) To make a full assessment of the resources and the requirements of the nation.

(2) To determine priorities, to work out a proper allocation and distribution of the resources and their constant adjustment to the changing requirements with a view to obtaining the speediest and the maximum realisation of the objectives of the plan.

(3) To lay down the various stages, each covering a defined period, for the development of the country's economy and to undertake the necessary preparatory work in connection with each stage.

(4) To secure full and all round coordination in the process of planning and in the execution of the plan.

CUT LUXURY GOODS

In the context of the present needs and the circumstances of the country and in view of the acute economic difficulties which are being experienced, the Commission should devise immediate measures (A) to reduce to the minimum the dependence of the country on foreign sources in the matter of consumers goods, to bring about a speedy elimination on the import of luxury goods and such other articles as are not indispensable, regardless of the inconvenience that may be felt by any section of the population; (B) to secure the necessary capital goods for increasing the internal production of the needed articles as quickly as possible; (C) and to maximise the production of the essential primary goods, specially foodstuffs and raw materials for the principal industries, in the shortest time possible; (D) to speed up projects for increasing the irrigation facilities and power supply of the country, which are the basis of its prosperity and progress".

"Mr. President"

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (PTI): It is learnt that Republican India's President will be "Mr. President", but Rajpramukhs will continue to be "Highnesses" as their titles are guaranteed under the covenants. The Governors will for the present be "Excellencies" but in many of these matters, the Government of India seem to consider that conventions will have to develop in course of time.

Provincial Premiers will be known as Chief Ministers.

BIHAR NEWS LETTER

PLANNED ECONOMY MOVE IN BIHAR

Setting Up Directorate Of Statistics

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, (Air Mail).

The Government of Bihar have decided to create, in the first instance for five years, a Directorate of Economics and Statistics. The Directorate will advise the various departments of the Government on statistical and economic questions of the province, will co-ordinate the data collected by various departments and suggest improvements in the methods of collection of statistics.

It will review, rationalise and standardise, the methods of planning statistical enquiries, collection of data and their analysis and presentation. It will have its own library and a laboratory for analysis and research.

Creation of another Directorate for Cottage Industry has also been decided upon and with this a Central Technological Institute at Patna will be also started.

WELFARE MEASURES

In Chotanagpur the Government of Bihar as well as the non-official organisations like Adim Jati Seva Mandal have opened nine schools.

Apart from elevating the mental make-up of these aboriginals, the Government is proposing to open two or 3 cattle breeding centres in the tribal zone, the starting of co-operative stores specially for the benefit of the Adivasis and the start ing of prohibition campaign among them to improve their economic condition.

ATOM IODINE

WINNIPEG, Manitoba: Professors of the University of Manitoba Medical College are making the first use in Canada of Radio-active iodine on humans.

Officials at the University revealed that the iodine compound (I—131) is supplied by the Canadian atomic energy plant at Chalk River, and is a by-product of Uranium 235. The compound has been in use on patients at the Winnipeg General Hospital.

Doctors said its chief value is in measuring the amount of iodine consumed by the thyroid gland. By supplying a patient with small amounts of I—131, which is harmless, the thyroid's iodine consumption can be measured accurately on a Geigor counter.

Failure of the gland to gather sufficient iodine is the cause of goitres. Knowledge of the amount of iodine which the glaad consumes enables doctors to detect whether the thyroid is working normally.

Considerable experimental work is being carried on at McGill University in Montreal, but almost exclusively with animals. The material has little known therapeutic use, doctors said, but it is "inevitable" diagnostically.

The only therapeutic use discovered so far is for the destruction of malignant cancer tissues in rare types of thyroid cancer, of which there are believed to be only a few each year in Canada.

SPECIAL WELFARE SCHEMES FOR ABORIGINALS IN HYDERABAD

Efforts To Bring Education To Remotest Forest Village

SECUNDERABAD, Jan. 19 (UPI).

Baron C. Furer Haimendorf, who has been working among the aboriginals for the past several years, in a Radio talk yesterday said "It is an undisputable fact that over 23 millions of aboriginals stand apart from the bearers of the historic Indian civilizations, speak largely their own languages and follow customs of an antiquity far greater than that of any monument in stone or clay.

"In Hyderabad the need for special protection of the aboriginals has been recognised for some time, and it can be safely said that in regard to aboriginal welfare and education, Hyderabad is ahead of most provinces and States. A tribal zone has been notified in Adilabad and to this will shortly be added a tribal zone incorporating the backward tracts of Warangal district. Special rules framed for these tribal areas will safeguard the aboriginals from exploitation by outsiders, and will provide for the formation of tribal panchayats which will have the full backing of law.

SENSE OF EQUALITY

"Most aboriginals have a profound sense of human equality and social justice. In Gond society, for instance, there are no castes and no classes. Every Gond regards any other Gond as his equal, and even differences in economic status do not impair this fundamental feeling of equality. This equality extends to both sexes. The position of women is excellent and the Gonds' passionate belief in individual freedom is reflected by their marriage customs, which grant the freedom of choosing one's partner to women as much as to men.

Aboriginals have on the whole a well-balanced system of values, and we find very little greed for material wealth and exploitation of others in Gond society. An aboriginal village is far more of a real community with a sense of unity than any ordinary Indian village, and there is as a rule not only a spirit of mutual goodwill and toleration among the villagers but a great deal of mutual helpfulness.

NO STAGNATION

"All this does not mean that the Hyderabad aboriginals should remain for ever confined within the framework of their own culture. Energetic efforts are being made to bring education into the remotest forest village and it is due to the aboriginal welfare schemes of the Social Service Department that thousands of aboriginal children are today studying in schools staffed entirely by aboriginal teachers trained by the Department."

Bombay Governor In Madras

MADRAS, Jan. 18, (PTI): The Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh arrived here this evening from Bangalore by air. They were received at the airport by the Maharaj of Bhavnagar, Governor of Madras and others.

After exchanging greetings, the Governor and party drove to Government House, Guindy, where they will be the guests of the Governor of Madras and the Maharani of Bhavnagar.

Burma Skirmish

RANGOON, Jan. 18, (PTI-Reuter): A town on the Moulmein-to-Pegu railway line, Paan, was attacked last week by Karen insurgents. Government forces successfully resisted the attack, killing 20 insurgents.

Patriotism To Grow More Food

INDORE, Jan. 18, (PTI): The Maharani Vijaya Raje Scindia laying the foundation stone ceremony of the Madhya Bharat Kasturba Mahila Seva Sadan at Chandravatiganj early this week said, "I have realised today that you (peasants) are our annadata (foodgiver) and you alone can grow more food to meet the requirements of our country."

She said she was confident that the Indian cultivator would do that out of patriotism. She was presented with a purse of Rs. 22,400 at the function for the erection of a building for the Seva Sadan.

MAKE THE COUNTRY SELF-SUFFICIENT

Mr. Patil's Appeal

(From Our Correspondent.)

UJJAIN, Jan. 19.

Mr. Patil Food Commissioner Government of India arrived here with the food and Civil Supply Minister of the Madhya Bharat Government and after touring Mahidpur Tehsil visited the agriculture farm and various other Government and public institutions. He also met the local and district Congress workers and replied to their questions.

He advised workers and officials to complete Grow More Food Programme by the end of 1951. He also addressed a public meeting at the Chowk Bazar and explained to the public the difficulties of the Provincial and Central Government and appealed to the people to co-operate with Government policies and make India self-sufficient in food.

Mr. Patil left for Gwalior enroute to Rajgarh where he will address the workers of Rajagarh district in the Shikahan Shivir class at Rajgarh.

AND THE INDUSTRY TOO

Plea At Bee-Keepers' Conference

MAHABLESHWAR, Jan. 19.

The Mahabaleshwar Bee-keepers' Conference was held at Mahabaleshwar on Jan. 16.

Mr. D. A. Shah who presided pointed out that the old primitive method of bee-keeping was wasteful in-as-much-as it involved loss of bees and of hives. There were, he said, several areas in the province which were suitable for development of bee-keeping and the Mahableshwar area was one of the most suitable areas.

In the various experiments which were made in the area by the workers of the Village Industries Committee, it has been noticed that the quantity of honey obtained per colony has been on an average about 25 lbs.

There is great scope for multiplying the colonies of bees and producing honey worth lakhs of rupees.

Finally, he emphasized that the industry which was being financed from the funds of the Village Industries Committee should be organised in due course more or less on a self-sufficiency basis.

He also impressed on the people, particularly the bee-keepers, the necessity to take more interest in the work as bee-keeping was both a science and an art. He said, that the greatest benefit from the industry would be derived when the bee-keeper knew his bees and the bees knew their keeper.

TWO NEW INSECTICIDES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18: Two new insecticides Taxaphene and lindane, may effectively control some of the most serious insect parasites affecting livestock it has been announced by the United States Department of Agriculture after a series of tests.

Both insecticides, which may be used either in spray or dip form, rid cattle, swine, sheep, and goats of ticks and lice. The effect of texaphene lasts longer than that of lindane, the researchers report, but it cannot be used on dairy cattle. Small traces of it seem to find their way into the cow's milk—and doctors do not yet know whether this might prove harmful to human beings. Lindane apparently is not absorbed into the animal's body. No traces of it have been found in the milk of cows sprayed with it.

"The period of protection afforded by texaphene is about three weeks", researchers report. "Used alone, lindane will be prevent reinfestations by certain species of ticks for periods longer than a week to 10 days. However, when used at a concentration of 0.025 per cent lindane in combination with 0.5 per cent DDT, the period of protection can be lengthened to two or more weeks"—USIS.

WATER HUNT

NEW YORK—The 19-storey Ambassador Hotel in the heart of New York is digging for water in its basement.

Facing the threat of restrictions on use of water for air conditioning next summer because of the city's water shortage, the hotel management launched a hunt for its own water supply.

A spokesman said that a beer company used to have some wells on the site before the hotel was built in 1921. Workers are cutting through basement floors trying to find the old well casements.—PTI-Reuter.

"JAYA PRAKASH DAY" ON FEBRUARY 5

JULLUNDUR, Jan 19, (UPI): The East Punjab Branch of the Socialist Party of India, has decided to observe "Jaya Prakash Day" on February 5 the date on which Shri Jaya Prakash Narayan is expected to start his fast as a protest against the non-fulfilment of promises held by the Government to postal employers.

Address To Sardar

(From Our Correspondent)

MANDVI, Jan. 18: Mandvi Municipality, at a meeting here has decided to present a welcome address to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel during his forthcoming visit to Kutch.

In case Sardar Patel due to pressure of time is unable to visit Mandvi the resolution empowered the President to contact all Municipalities of Kutch so that a joint address may be presented to the great leader at Bhuj on behalf of all Municipalities.

Noel-Baker For Karachi

NEW DELHI, January 19. (PTI)

Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker, British Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, and Mr. P. C. Spender, Australian External Affairs Minister, who were on a brief visit to Delhi after attending the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers Conference at Colombo, left here today by air.

Mr. Noel-Baker proceeded to Karachi. He will go back to Britain after a short stay in the Pakistan capital.

Mr. Spender has left for Agra from where he will go to Lahore.

Revolving Cat

LONDON, (By Air).

A kitten which came within an ace of death 3,000,000 times was discharged as fit at the animal dispensary at Hendon.

A lorry left Shoreditch on Christmas Eve with two men in the cab. Stopping at traffic lights, they heard a faint mew. They searched the lorry but found nothing and drove on to Hendon. Here they stopped and again heard the mew. They made a thorough search moving piles of cartons and taking over an hour. Still nothing could be seen.

As they pulled out into the road and looked back to see all way well they saw the tip of a white tail near the back wheels. There they found a black-and-white kitten about six weeks old, which had crawled into a tiny space between the double wheels.

The kitten must have revolved with the wheels from Shoreditch to Hendon —the driver estimates some three million revolutions.

At the dispensary it was found to be suffering from nothing worse than a bruised head. The kitten has been named Scrap as Miss Bloom, the dispensary officer, exclaimed: "Oh, what a scrap!" on seeing it.

Spain Speeds Airfields

MADRID—Work is being speeded up on Spain's provincial airfields.

Bilbao's new airport is already being used.

That of Santander is expected to be ready for service in the summer. Extentions are being made at Saragossa, Valencia and Santiago de Compostela.

These improvements will enable internal Spanish Air lines, at present not much developed except between major cities, to advance considerably.

During 1949, Spain's nationally-controlled Iberia airline made 10,300 commercial flights carrying 196,500 passengers and covering 5,300,000 kilometres (3,180,000 miles) without accident.—PTI-Reuter.

INDO-SWISS FIRM TO PRODUCE DRUGS

Scheme Finalised

KANPUR, Jan. 19. (PTI): The first scheme of foreign capital investment in partnership with Indian capital in the pharmaceutical industry in India has been finalised here

Ciba limited, a Swiss firm, have, it is learned, undertaken to manufacture para-ammo salicylic acid, a well-known drug for the treatment of tuberculosis, and sulpha drugs and to train Indian personnel in the technique of drug manufacture.

The new company to be known as Ciba Hind, limited, has an authorised capital of Rs. 30 lakhs and 51 per cent of the shares will be owned by Indians.

Indian Constitutions To Be Adopted By U.S.T.C.

TRIVANDRUM, January 19. (PTI): A motion that "the constitution of India shall be the constitution for the United States of Travancore and Cochin" was discussed for three hours in the legislative assembly yesterday.

Introducing the motion, the Chief Minister Mr T. K. Narayana Pillai, said the Assembly should formally adopt the Indian constitution in order to avoid constitutional difficulties. He revealed that the USTC Government was negotiating with the States Ministry for exemption before Jan. 26th of the Travancore Cochin union from the operation of clause (371) of the constitution providing for general control for a period of ten years by the centre over states and states union.

Government had also sought exemption from clause 286 of the constitution regarding restriction on imposition of sales tax. He said he was in a position to say that the Travancore Cochin Union would be exempted in these two respects.

The debate will be continued tomorrow.

Saurashtra Accepts Indian Constitution

RAJKOT, January 19. (PTI): The Saurashtra Constituent Assembly at its last session held here today passed a resolution unanimously accepting the proclamation made by the Raj Pramukh of Saurashtra on November 13, 1949, that the constitution passed by the Constituent Assembly of India shall also be the constitution of the United State of Saurashtra.

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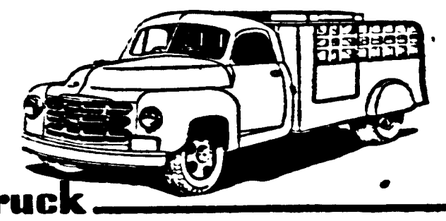

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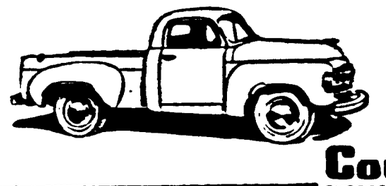

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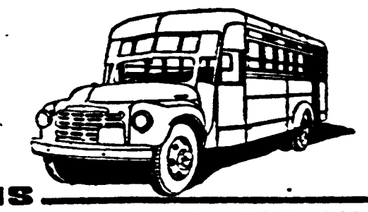

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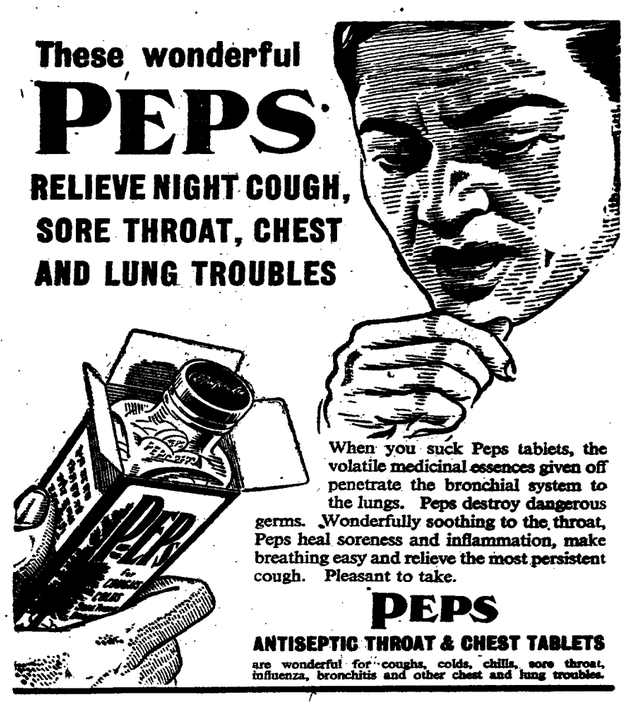

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FOUNDATION STONE OF NATIONAL SPORTS STADIUM LAID

Pandit Nehru Performs Ceremony At New Delhi

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19, (PTI).

THE Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, today laid the foundation stone of the Rs. 18 lakh National Sports Stadium for New Delhi. The Irwin Amphitheatre will be one of the wings of the stadium, which is expected to be completed by October.

Among those present at the function were Cabinet ministers, members of the diplomatic corps, General K. M. Cariappa, Chairman of the Delhi Committee of the Club, the Maharajah of Patiala, Chairman of the Executive Committee, high ranking civil and military officers and leading Indian and foreign visiting sportsmen.

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, President of the National Sports Club of India, said that already rupees 15 lakhs had been collected by the club and it was hoped to enrol 10,000 life members this year. The Club would also build stadiums in Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Ahmedabad and perhaps Kanpur.

Pandit Nehru said that it was of great importance to improve the physique of the people and to raise the whole level of human life in India. The National Sports Stadium should not be a richman's playground. If it was going to be confined to the select few for their diversion occasionally, it was not good enough for them to shout so much about it. It must become a real centre for raising the level of sports and games and the physical well being of the people not only in the big cities but also in the countryside and the smaller towns.

He hoped that with all the great deal of support that this institution was receiving, it would go ahead rapidly and build up traditions of sportsmanship and of a high degree of attainment in games and sports. "In everything we do in this country", he said, "we should aim at the highest level. In a large number of things we are very far from a high level. Let us be frank about it. With our national pride we try to hide that fact occasionally but we cannot really hide it because it is obvious. I have not the slightest doubt that the material we have in this country is splendid for every branch of activity, whether it is sports, whether it is technical and scientific or any other.

"The tragedy of this country as well as that of many other countries in the world is that people do not have the opportunity. Human beings differ tremendously but where they should be equal is in the opportunities that they should get to progress."

It was true, said Pandit Nehru, that not every body could be trained to run a hundred yards under ten seconds. Only the very exceptional persons could do it. But if a large number of people were given the opportunity, it would be possible to get more and more exceptional persons out of them and the general standard would also go. That was why it was most important to give opportunities to everyone to advance and progress.

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur had stated that the Club was anxious to name the stadium after Pandit Nehru but he had preferred that it should be called the National Sports Stadium. Explaining his objection, Pandit Nehru said, "I do object to this business of living names being bandied about. Only the dead should be named in this way. No living name, however great or small, may be used to name any place, street building, institution or anything else. It is a bad habit and once you allow it to spread, it may be you honour some deserving persons but then far more undeserving persons try to perpetuate their memory. Our Municipalities and Corporations are especially guilty of this. In some cities that I know of, one of the first acts of the municipal boards is to name all the streets after the names of the members of the board (laughter). I do hope that this practice of giving the name of a living person, whoever he may be, will be given up completely and only the dead will be so honoured if they are worthy of honour.

Pandit Nehru revealed that the only prize he had gained in his earlier days was a prize for running (laughter and cheers).

"Till fairly late in life", he added, "I did keep up running every morning, sometimes a mile, sometimes two miles. I think running is a most excellent exercise."

Pandit Nehru said that it was really surprising that in a big country like India there was hardly a proper racing track—or rather a running track because he was not talking of horse-racing (laughter).

The Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, in a message said that by having one stadium here or there even the fringe of the problem was not touched. A country like India must have more stadiums of this type. A healthy nation cannot be built except on healthy minds and bodies. "Unfortunately in our nation-building programmes we have been laying insufficient stress on the matter."

Sardar Patel was glad that where the Government had failed, non-officials and philanthropists had made generous contributions to such causes.

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur presented to Pandit Nehru the trowel and mallet with which Pandit Nehru laid the foundation stone, the Maharajkumar of Vizianagram presented to the Prime Minister a cricket bat signed by both the Indian and Commonwealth Test teams and Jock Livingston, Captain of the Commonwealth team, presented the colours of the team—a sweater, tie and scarf.

FESTIVAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Teams Selected By Committee

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A meeting of the Selection Committee of the B.P.H.A. was held on Wednesday, the 18th instant, at the Cooperage, when the following Members were present:—

Mr. Cyriaco D'Souza (Chair)—Messrs. C. E. Rodrigues, Norman Fernandes, Jos. Gonsalves, Meherjee Vakil and Louds Pereira.

The following teams for the Festival Hockey Tournament were selected:—

GOA XI: Leo Pinto (Tata S.C.); J. D'Souza (Goan S.C.) and Walter D'Souza (Lusis); Herbert D'Souza (Times), George Pereira (Tata S.C.) and Maxie Vaz (Lusis); Louis Vaz (Lusis), Joe D'Mello (Tata S.C.), L. D'Souza (Tata S.C.), A. Braganza (Tata S.C.) and F. Coutinho (Tata S.C.).

Manager. Mr. Tony Vaz.
Captain: Mr. Walter D'Souza.

BOMBAY XI: N. Mendonza (Police); Carvalho (Tata S.C.) and Gentle (Tata S.C.); A. Middlecoat (Bombay City); Amir Kumar (Lusis) and Poonavalla (Young Sports); Gardner (Bombay City); L. Woodcock (Lusis); I. Abraham (Dockyard); Reg. Rodrigues (Lusis) and L. Fernandes (Tata S.C.).

Manager: Mr. Victor D'Sa.
Captain: A. Middlecoat.

REST: A. Lobo (St. Xavier's); Owen Ferreira (St. Xavier's) and Roberts (Times); Perumal (Tata S. C.); Miranda (Lusis) and Rozario Fernandes (B.P.T.); C. Gomes (Dockyard); John Vaz (Times); Frank Correia (Times); K. Lefebour (Dockyard) and Peter Pereira (Lusis).

Manager: Mr. F. W. Hanson.
Captain: John Vaz.

GENERAL RESERVES: S. Menezes (Lusis); S. Dias (Lusis); Alexander (Bombay City); Wakefield (Bombay City); Gabriel D'Souza (Goan S.C.); Caj. Braganza (Lusis); David (Bombay City); G. Ireland (Bombay City).

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In the Day's Sport

TENNIS

Bombay Gymkhana
3-30 p.m. Preliminary Rounds (Western India Championships).

Grant Medical College Courts
2-45 p.m. Men's Singles Final, Women's Singles Final and Women's Doubles Final (Inter-College Tournament).

BADMINTON

Dadar Parsi Colony Gymkhana
6 p.m. Shivaji Park Gymkhana vs. Dadar Parsee Colony Gymkhana (Seers Cup Tournament).

Cricket Club of India
6 p.m. C.C.I. vs. Catholic Gymkhana (Seers Cup Tournament).

P. J. Hindu Gymkhana
6 p.m. P. J. Hindu Gymkhana vs. Lever Sports Club (Seers Cup Tournament).

Bombay Gymkhana
6 p.m. Bandra Gymkhana vs. Reserve Bank of India S.C. (Seers Cup Tournament).

BILLARDS

Byculla Y.M.C.A.
5-30 p.m. Exhibition Match: Wilson Jones vs. Rafique Dina.

HOCKEY

Cooperage:
2-45 p.m. Ruia vs. Siddharth (Inter College).
3-45 p.m. G. M. C. vs. Sydenham (Inter College).
4-50 p.m. Tatas vs. St. Xavier's (Provincial).

St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel:
3 p.m. Ordnance vs. St. Xavier's 'D'.
4 p.m. Lever 'A' vs. St. Xavier's 'C'.
5 p.m. Panchgani Parsis 'A' vs. St. Xavier's Association (Parel League).

Parsi Cyclists Ground:
3 p.m. Burmah Shell vs. Kurla Spartans.
4 p.m. Blue Wizards vs. R.I.N. Pay Offees (Third Division).

WESTERN INDIA LAWN TENNIS

Fixtures For Today

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Western India Lawn Tennis Championship, which have attracted quite a number of leading foreign players who came out to India to take part in the First Asian Lawn Tennis Championships held in Calcutta, are due to commence on the Bombay Gymkhana Courts tomorrow.

The programme for the opening day is as follows:

COURT NO. 2—3-30 p.m. K. Mahindra vs A.B. Williams; 4-00 p.m. S.S. Indulkar vs I.R. Mehta.

COURT NO. 3—3-30 p.m. S.T. Panjwani vs G.A. One Rao, 4-00 p.m. C.J. Cooper vs G. D. Bhagat.

COURT NO. 4—3-30 p.m. H. K. Mistry vs K.H. Kapadia, 4-00 p.m. W. N Ghorpade vs R. Rodrigues.

COURT NO. 5—3-30 p.m. Lt.-Comdr Sanjana cs M.M. Shinde, 4-00 p.m. K. L. Mirchandani vs V.S. Bangara.

COURT NO. 6 —3-30 p.m. A. M. Shetty vs Swaminathan; 4-00 p.m. S. G. Inamdar.

COURT NO. 7—3-30 p.m. R. N Bhagwat vs Rasik Kumar of Wankaner 4-00 p.m. L. Kapadia vs C.L. Savera.

COURT NO. 8—3-30 p.m. J. V. Kamath vs R.N. Pandit, 4-00 p.m. A.R.V. Peermohmed vs M.V. Tilve.

FIRST AVAILABLE COURT—P. G. Kundaji vs K.V. Rai, S.D. Powar vs. Baldev.

ACCEPTANCES FOR SATURDAY'S RACES

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The following are the acceptances for Saturday's Racing in Bombay:—

THE SIMLA PLATE Division III—Distance 6 furlongs.

Wahdina 9-2; Embarkation 9-0; Pessimist 8-13; True Love 8-11; King Richard 8-10; Bold Bandit 8-9; Jouette 8-9; Down South 8-8; Show On 8-6; Flying Miss 8-6; Bavaji 8-4.

THE SIMLA PLATE Division I—Distance 6 furlongs.

Viveca 9-0. Windsor Knight 9-0; Sohni 8-11; Magnificent 8-9; Gold Legion 8-9; Star Saphire 8-7; Duke of Ramgarh 8-6; Trunk Call 8-2; Nizamuddin 8-2; Just Wait 8-0.

THE UDVADA PLATE Division II—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mah Khurshid 9-1; Mirella 8-9; Glitter 8-9; Patent Bid 8-9; Magic Hour 8-9; Chetna 8-7; Chhoti Begum 8-7; Rohini 8-6; Hercules 8-5; Ajinkya Tara II 8-5; Salamat 9-4; Billy Boy 8-3; Steve 7-13; Progress 7-13; Princess Victory 7-7; Mayfair Lady 7-1.

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PLATE—Distance 1 mile.

Royal Flower 9-1; Dev Doot 8-13; Blue Lotus 8-11; Who's That 8-5: Repartee 8-4; Shubh Luxmi 8-4; Titli 8-4; La Jawab 8-4; Yearling 8-2; Taslaroon 8-1; Sweet Maryle 8-1; Sunbathing 8-0; Pride d'Antibes 7-12; Black Page 7-12; Prospero 7-12; Windsor Park 7-11; Find Out 7-10.

THE C. N. WADIA GOLD CUP—Distance about 1 1/2 miles.

First Royalty 9-7; Jane Jigar 8-9; Pravina 8-7; Rana Pratap 8-1; Navvara 8-1; Ferial 7-11; Jawahir 7-7; Brave Prince 7-5.

THE MITHALAK PLATE—Distance 1 mile.

Jawahir 9-5; Flotilla 8-9; Near Image 8-4; Doorani 8-4; Kirti 8-3; Maduri 8-3; Diniar 8-1; Cocktop 8-1; Flying Arrow 8-0; Post Master 7-13; Khundil 7-13; Happy Go Lucky 7-13; Rippy 7-7; Pylini 7-4; Hamac 7-0.

THE INDIAN OAKS, (1950)—Distance about 1 1/2 miles.

Gamble for Love 8-7; Lizalee 8-7; Anant Lakshmi 8-7; Willow Stream 8-7; Neola 8-7; Rukhsana 8-7; Flying Miss 8-7; Odds Again 8-7; V. Day 8-7;

THE UDVADA PLATE Division I—Distance 7 furlongs.

Tantalum 9-0; Broken Mask 8-12; Carpala 8-1; Chandrakor 8-11; Kickshaw 8-10; King's Star 8-10; Cherry Blossom 8-8; Honey Bunch 8-7; Morning 8-6; Indiana 8-6; Royal Guard 8-5; Plucky Princess 8-2; Ijjat 8-1; Bara Mulla 8-1; Birbal 8-1; Dagania 8-0; Shirazi 7-8.

THE SIMLA PLATE Division II—Distance 6 furlongs.

Morton Daisy 9-2; Havana 9-2; Irish Right 9-1; Tamasha 8-11; Gang Bhup 8-9; Georgette 8-9; Pretty Town 8-8; Son of a Gun 8-4; Great Lady 8-3; Azad Hind 8-2; Vagabond Queen 7-13; Perseus 7-11.

CONSISTENT BALLARD TRIUMPHS OVER NASTA IN QUARTER-FINAL

Handicap Billiards Tournament At Byculla Y.M.C.A.

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Meeting his opponent K. K. Nasta (—275) in the Quarterfinal match in the Handicap Billiards Tournament for the Alec Sequeira at Byculla Y.M.C.A. this evening A. Ballard, the most consistent player so far in the Tournament, with a handicap of 325 points, won the encounter and entered the semifinal where he meets M. Concessio, the conqueror of Rafeek Dina.

Playing with the disadvantage of 50 points, A. Ballard began well and ran into an early lead, while K. K. Nasta, trailing behind his rival, was very gradually increasing his score. The scoreboard then read 249 to 167 in favour of Ballard.

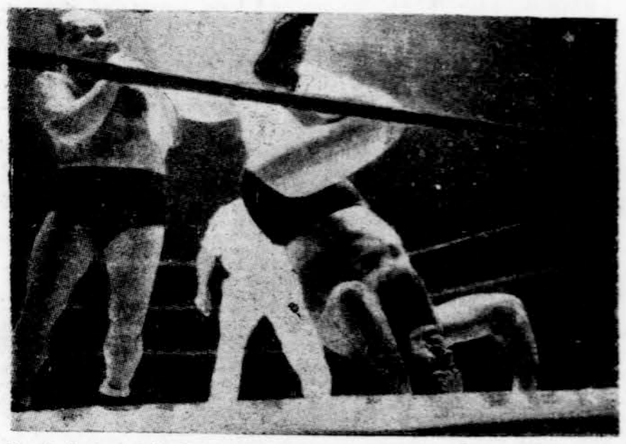
Wiping out his arrears Ballard scored some points towards the game and had made 51 points against his opponent Nasta's 15. Nasta improved his play as the game advanced and by some useful breaks he decreased the margin and came within the range of his rival's total.

Continuing his good work Nasta overtook Ballard when the former had compiled 162 points as against Ballard's 156. i.e. Nast, for the first time in the game, got this thin lead over Ballard.

Taking no risks Ballard gradually increased his own total and once again forged ahead of his competitor Nasta. Making some heroic efforts in the closing stages Nasta with some fine strokes and fruitful breaks of 21 and 37 reduced the margin considerably and had made 231 points. Ballard getting his turn to play, made the required points to win the game and the match at 250 to 231.

A. Ballard compiled good breaks of 27, 22, 23, 30, 28 and 40; while K. K. Nasta had breaks of 28, 21, 20, 22, 34, 21 and 37 to his credit.

An Arm-Lock On The Foot



Frank Sexton of the U.S.A., holder of the world wrestling title met Yvar Martinsson of France in a championship bout at the Palais des Sports in Paris recently. Picture shows Martinsson get an arm-lock on Sexton's foot.

Brilliant Display By Jain In Mixed Final

SUMITRA NIGUDKAR IN TWO FINALS IN INTER-COLLEGE TENNIS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

WITH only the final day's play to be decided, the competition for the ultimate honours in the Inter-Collegiate Tennis Championships is as keen as can be expected. No less than three colleges are in the running, and not until the last match is decided on the final day tomorrow, will the championship be decided. Such was the intriguing position when play ceased for the day this evening in the tournament.

Playing magnificently despite heavy odds Rajkumar Jain of the National Medical College managed to win the mixed doubles title. Receiving good support from his partner, who was no match for her opponents, Jain displayed good patience and judgment in beating a formidable combination from the Elphinstone College in two straight sets in the final.

To Miss Sumitra Nigudkar went the honour of contesting two finals. Already in the singles final, Sumitra assisted by Miss Chhaba Phadnis accounted for the fancied St. Xavier's pair Miss Sunita Shirodkar and Miss Amrit Singh in two sets in the semi-final today.

The other semi-final proved to be a marathon affair. Winning the first set at 7-5, Miss Sheila Singh and Miss Anjani Diwan from Elphinstone were leading five/one and forty-love, and had three match points in a row in their favour, but they failed to pull out the game immediately. Their opponents from the Grant Medical College, Miss Piroza Irani and Miss Ramola Kapur staged a magnificent recovery. Fighting with their back to the wall they kept the ball in play long enough for their rivals to commit mistakes, and profiting mainly due to these lapses of their rivals, they levelled the scores at five-all. Once again the Elphinstone College pair had three match points in their favour, when with the score at seven/six in their favour they had service in hand and game score forty-love to their advantage. Playing determinedly Piroja Irani and her partner tided over this critical period and made deuce, but a double-fault at this stage by Piroja gave yet another match point to the Elphinstonians, and they did not make a mistake this time.

Yet in another marathon match, the Elphinstonians failed to take advantage of an early lead. This time it was the men's doubles final. The Elphinstone's first string—Eunice Varawalla and Madhukar Dalaya won the first set against the St. Xavier's "B" team Mohan Butani and Hosie Merchant, and led all along the second set too. But from five-three in their favour, they let slip the game from their hands and the St. Xavierians taking ample time to settle down managed to win the second set but not before eighteen games were played off. The match remained unfinished, and will be continued tomorrow at 2-15 in the afternoon.

The following were the results of matches played this evening:

Mixed Doubles (Final)

Rajkumar Jain and Saroj Patwardhan (National Medical "A") beat Madhukar Dalaya and Sheila Singh (Elphinstone and R.I.Sc. "A"), 6-3, 6-4.

Women's Doubles (Semi-finals)

Sumitra Nigudkar and Chhaba Phadnis (Ruia "A" beat Sunita Shirodkar and Amrit Singh (St. Xavier's "A"), 6-2, 6-4; Sheila Singh and Anjani Diwan (Elphinstone and R.I.Sc. "A") beat Piroja Irani and Ramila Kapur (Grant Medical "A"), 7-5, 8-6.

Men's Doubles (Final)

Madhukar Dalaya and Eunice Varawalla (Elphinstone and R.I.Sc. "A") vs. Mohan Butani and Hosie Merchant (St. Xavier's "B"), 6-4, 8-10 (unfinished).

PAREL HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

In the only game played this evening at St. Xavir's College ground at Parel a goalless draw resulted. The teams so concerned were Bombay Port Trust 'B' and Greater Bombay Police 'B'.

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Malcolm Cycling Club is organising a 10 miles cycle race around the Oval Maidan on 27th January at 6-45 a.m.

Entries close on 25th January, and should be sent to the Honorary Secretary, Malcolm Cycling Club at 8, Sleater Road.

'LUSIS' WIN EASILY

Provincial Hockey Championship

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Lusitanians "A" gained a three nil win over Royal Indian Navy in the Provincial Hockey Championship this evening at the Cooperage. Earlier B. B. and C. I. Railway "A" beat Dockyard "A" by a solitary goal in the same tournament.

After a blank first half Lusis forged ahead in the second half when Reggie Rodriques broke through on a fine solo run and beat the goalkeeper easily from close in. This was in the tenth minute due to some fine spade work by Gama who passed the ball to Reggie.

A little later Leslie Woodcock put his side further ahead when he converted a penalty corner Menezes, the Lusis custodian prevented the Navy from scoring time and, again. Idris Miranda and D'Souza were particularly dangerous in the Navy attack.

Woodcock managed to outstrip the entire Navy defence on the run and entering the goal area he drew the goalie out of his charge and sent the ball into an untenated goal thus scoring his side's third goal.

B. B. AND C. I. WIN

B. B. and C. I. Railway were only able to score a solitary goal against Dockyard when Santooram converted a pass from the left outer Gregory Fernandes.

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Inter College Hockey Tournament

BOMBAY, Thursday.

St. Xavier's College experienced little opposition from G. S. Medical College in the Inter-College Hockey Tournament played at the Cooperage this evening. The Xavierians won by four goals to one.

R. Ferns, A. Gracias, Gerry D'Souza and Chris Pereira were the goal getters for the Xavier's side while Dias reduced the margin for the Medicos.

THIRD DIVISION HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The following are the results of the matches played in the Third Division of the B.P.H.A. League at the Parsi Cyclists ground this evening.

Bombay City 'B' drew with Globe Sports both sides scored twice. Edwards and Lopes scored for the City while Ramchandra and Amiruddin scored for Globe.

In the other match Christ Church and Barnes gained a walk over Young Comrades who failed to put in an appearance.

SCHOOLS' HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

In the School's Hockey League played at the Naigaum Police ground this evening Don Bosco High School beat Little Flower High School by two goals to nil. P. Britto and S. Cordeiro were the goal scorers for the winners.

Earlier St. Stanislaus High School beat their Bandra neighbours St. Andrews by four goals to nil. Eric Barlow got two goals, while P. Francis and Ambrose scored one each.

ST. MARY'S CLAIM TATA SHIELD

Nine High School Meet Records Established

BOMBAY, Thursday.

No fewer than nine records were established and two equalled at the Bombay High Schools Annual Athletic meet for the Tata Shield and Ahmed Sailor Trophy which were held at the Brabourne Stadium this afternoon. Competition was keen and St. Mary's High School won the Tata Shield which is awarded for seniors and intermediates scoring 43 points. St. Xavier's High School were runners up with a small margin only two points behind St. Mary's — scoring 41 points.

St. Xavier's High School were rather unlucky not to have gained the Inter School Championship for they were only two points short and these would have been theirs had they not been disqualified in the 400 metres Medley Relay when one of their team mates crossed into the wrong lane and was so disqualified.

A remarkable feature of the lowering of nine records was created in the 400 metres run when Fredrick Pinto of Antonio D'Souza High School lowered the previous figure by 5.3 seconds. The previous record being 58.3 seconds.

Irwin Lapez of St. Xavier's High School bettered the long jump record by clearing 19 feet 6 1/2 inches when the previous one stood at 18 feet 10 inches. St. Xavier's gained a second record when Jacob Carvalho of this institute broke the 110 metres hurdles record clocking a timing of 18.2 seconds, 3 seconds better than the previous record.

The girls were not wanting in their prowess and they too emulated the boys. Beda Fernandes of Antonio D'Souza High School bettered the 100 metres run turning by .5 seconds, clocking a timing of 14 seconds. Then Homai Panthaky lowered the intermediate girls 75 metres run record by returning a timing of 10.8 seconds, the previous timing being 11.3 seconds.

Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan presided and urged the necessity of holding Sports Meets. He then distributed the prizes.

A feature of the meet was the introduction this afternoon of the 440 metres relay with hurdles which is a common thing in the United States.

The following were the results:

BOMBAY, Thursday.

110 M. Hurdles (Seniors): Anthony Carneiro (St. Mary's School) 1. Dourado Gaundencio (St. Sebastian's School) 2. Biggie H. (St. Mary's School) 3. Time: 15.5 seconds.

110 M. Hurdles (Intermediate): Jacob Cauelho (St. Xavier's School) 1. Saul Kattan (St. Mary's School) 2. D'Souza Diago (St. Sebastian High School) 3. Time: 18.2 seconds. (New Record).

100 M. Run (Juniors): Toufiq Husain (Anjuman Islam School) 1. A. Rauf (Anjuman Islam School) 2. Eric Raha (St. Xavier's School) 3. Time: 12.8 seconds.

75 M. Run (Sub-Juniors) New Meet Record: Anwar Mohamed (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 1. Pinto Joquem (St. Sebastian School) 2. Albuquerque Zachary (St. Sebastian School) 3. Time: 10.6 seconds (New Meet Record).

100 M. Run (Seniors): Anthony Carneiro (St. Mary's School) 1. Dourado Gaudoncio (St. Sebastian School) 2. Irwin Lopez (St. Xavier's School) 3. Time: 11.9 seconds. (Equal Previous Record).

75 M. Run (Girls—Intermediate New Record): Homia Panthaky (Alexandra Girls School) 1. Nergist Ghadiali (Alexandra Girls School) 2. Coomio Podder (Master's Tutorial Girls School) 3. Time: 10.8 seconds. New Record).

100 M. Run (Intermediate): Irwin D'Souza (Don Bosco School) 1. Irwin Lopez (St. Xavier's School) 2. Roque D'Silva (Don Bosco School) 3. Time: 12.1 seconds.

Running Long Jump—(Girls Seniors): Manjula Shah (Alexandra Girls School) 1. Zainab Vasi (Alexandra Girls School) 2. Clara Pereira (Antonio DeSouza School) 3. Distance: 14 ft. 4 3/4 in.

50 M Run (Midgets): Hamidulla Khan (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 1. Abdus Sattar (Anjuman-i-Islam School) 2. Abdul Hamid (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 3. Time: 7.6 seconds. (Equals Previous Record).

100 M. Run (Girls Seniors) New Record: Beda Fernandes (Antonio D'Souza School) 1. Manjula Shah (Alexandra Girls School) 2. Ruby Patel (Alexandra Girls School) 3. Time: 14.0 seconds (New Record).

Running Long Jump (Seniors) New Meet Record: Irwin Lopez (St. Xavier's School) 1. Anthony Carneiro (St. Mary's High School) 2. Dourado Gaudencio (St. Sebastian Goan School) 3. Distance: 19 ft. 6 1/2 in. (New Record).

200 M. Run (Intermediate): Irwin D'Souza (Don Bosco School) 1. Irwin Lopez (St. Xavier's School) 2. C. P. Stephen (St. Xavier's School) 3. Time: 24.4 seconds. (New Record).

50 M. Lime and Spoon (Midgets):—Izhar Ali (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 1. Abdul Ahmad (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 2. A. Sattar (Anjuman-i-Islam School) 3.

10 M. Skipping Race (Girls—Juniors) Arnavaz Bastani (Alexandra Girls School) 1. Venota Hebber (Alexandra Girls School) 2. Jayawant C. Shah (Shree C. Visha Oswal High School) 3.

50 M. Sack Race (Sub-Juniors): Anwar Mohamed (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 1. Abrar Ali (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 2. Michael Rodrigues (Don Bosco School) 3.

400 M. RUN (Seniors)—Frederick Pinto (Antonia D'Souza School) 1. Anthony Carneiro (St. Mary's School) 2. Bachooally Fazli (St. Mary's School) 3. Time: 53.0 secs. (New Record).

SPRINT RELAY (4X100 M) Juniors (New Record)—Anjuman-i-Islam High School 1, St. Xavier's High School 2. St. Sebastian Goan High School 3. Tme: 51.0 secs. (New Record).

50 M. SKIPPING RACE (Midgets)—Hamidullah Khan (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 1. Abdus Sattar (Anjuman-i-Islam School) 2. Pereira Manual (St. Sebastian School) 3.

SHUTTLE RELAY (Sub-Juniors)—Saboo Siddik Tech School 1. St. Sebastian Goan H. School 2. Anjuman-i-Islam High School 3. Time 30.3 secs.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP (Intermediate) New Record—D'Souza Diago (St Sebastian School) 1. John Pereira (St. Xavier's H. School) 2. Bashir Ahmed (Ahmed Sailor High School) 3. Height: 5 ft. 1 Min. 10.5 secs.

440M HURDLES RELAY (Senior) St. Mary's High School 1. St. Xavier's High School 2. St. Sebastian High School 3. Time: 1 min. 10.5 secs.

BOOT-BINDING RACE (Midgets)—Saed Ahmed (Ahmed Sailor School) 1. Patel B. K. (Sir J.J. P.B. Institute) 2. Hamidullah Khan (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 3.

ONE MILE RUN (Senior)—Bona Miranda (Mosters Tutorial Boys School) 1. Frederick Pinto (Antonio De Souza High School) 2. Sydney Cordeiro (Don Bosco School) 3.

POTATO GATHERING RELAY (SUB-JUNIORS) M. H. Saboo Siddik Tech. High School 1. St. Xaviers High School 2. Ismail Beg Mohamed High School 3.

SPRINT RELAY (4 x 100 M) INTERMEDIATE: St. Mary's School 1. Anjuman-i-Islam High School 2. St. Sebastian High School 3.

ONE MILE CYCLE RACE (SENIORS) Kali Doctor (New Era High School) 1. Kalo U. R. (Union High School) 2. V. B. Mahalaxmiwala (Bharda High School) 3. Time: 2 min. 46.6 secs.

OBSTACLE RACE (JUNIORS): G. A. Lakdawala (Bharda New High School) 1. Imam Ali (Ahmed Sailor School) 2. Nazir Ahmed (Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 3.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP (SENIORS) H. S. Ghai (Bharda New H. School) 5' 5-3/4" Cyprian Lobo (Antonio D' Souza School) 2. Mayera A. M. (Wilson High School) 3. Height: 5 ft. 5 3/4 ins.

SPRINT RELAY (4 x 100 M) GIRLS SENIORS: Alexandra Girls High School 1. Master's Tutorial Girls High School 2. Time: 56.3 secs.

MEDLEY RELAY (SENIORS) Master Tutorial Boys School 1. St. Xavier's High School 2. Antonio D' Souza High School 3.

TUG-OF-WAR (SENIORS). WINNERS: St. Mary's High School; RUNNERS UP: St. Sebastian School.

Individual Championship Seniors Boys Won by Anthony Carneiro (St. Mary's High School)

Individual Champion (Juniors) won by Master Toufeeq Husain (Anjuman-i-Islam H. School) 10 points.

Individual Champion (Sub-Juniors) Won by Master Anwar Mohamod (M. H. Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 10 points.

Individual Champion (Midgets) won by Master Hamedulla Khan (M. H. Saboo Siddik Tech. School) 11 points.

A. A. Jasdenwalla Cup for One Mile Run won by Master B. Miranda (Master Tutorial Boys H. School).

F. J. Dawer Shield for One Mile Cycle Race won by Master K. Doctor (New Era High School).

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Tata Shield Senior and Intermediate won by St. Mary High School 43 points.

Ahmed Sailor Shield Junior and Sub-Junior won by M. H. Saboo Siddik Technical High School by 84 points.

Inter School Championship for Girls won by Alexandra Girls English Institute by 63 points.

Tata Shield for Runners-up St. Xavier's High School 41 points.

Ahmed Sailor Shield for Runners-up Anjuman-i-Islam High School 20 points.

SUMANT MISRA BEATEN

Following are the results of matches played today in the All-India Hard Court Tennis Championships:

MENS DOUBLES (First round)—Spychala and P.N. Murthi beat V. D. Ramaswami and V. Ranganathan 6-3, 6-.

MENS SINGLES—(Second round)—R. Abdessalem (France) beat P. S. Seshadri (India) 6-4, 5-7, 6-4.

Third round—F Ampon (Philippines) beat T.A. Ramarao (India) 6-1, 6-1. P. Masip (Spain) beat P. Remy (France) 6-2, 6-4. Deyro (Philippines) beat G. L. Paish (Britain) 6-1, 7-5. H. Weiss (Argentina) beat Sumant Misra (India) 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

WOMENS SINGLES—(Third round)—Mrs. P. Todd (USA) beat Miss D. Fenseka (Ceylon) 6-3, 6-1.

Third Round: P. Washer (Belgium) beat Carmona (Philippines) 6/4, 6/4

MEN'S DOUBLES (Second Round): P. Masip (Spain) and H. Weiss (Argentine) versus Narayana Rao and M. Rama Rao 6/2, 5/3 (unfinished). G. D. Oakley and G. L. Paish (Britain) versus C I. Gunasekare and F J De Saram 6/4, 2/6 (unfinished)

MEN'S DOUBLES (Quarter Finals): Sumant Misra (India) and Deyro (Philippines) beat R. Abdesalam and P. Remy (France) 6/2, 6/2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Second Round): Mrs. Weiss (Argentine) beat Miss K. L. A Tuckey (Britain) 3/6 6 3 6/3.

MIXED DOUBLES (Second Round): Mrs. B. Hilton and G. L. Paish (Britain) beat Mrs. Kornfield and A. Weiss (Israel) 6/2 6/2.

(Quarter Finals): Miss J Quertier (Britain) and C Sovchala (Poland) beat Mrs. P. Todd (USA) and C. Cernick (Czechoslovakia) 4/6, 9/7, 6/1.

The Bombay Chronicle

NEED FOR CO-ORDINATION

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has published a review of development plans of the Central and Provincial Governments, examining them both in their promise and achievement in the hope that it will be helpful in bringing to bear on the various planning authorities not only a sense of realism but also a greater appreciation of the urgent need for co-ordination and fixing priorities. The review rightly says that both Central and Provincial Governments were enthusiastic rather than intent on securing the highest pitch of efficiency of the economic mechanism in drawing development plans dealing with Irrigation, Electricity, Industrial development, Shipping, Housing and Transport, Budgetary allocations to spend over 200 crores of rupees a year were made but owing to their being unrealistic and wide off of the mark, these schemes and allocations have been characterised by the slow progress in their implementation. Some of them are still in the exploratory stage, some are abandoned and the few which are in hand, show poor progress. The reasons why these development plans could not fulfil expectations, are that both the Central and Provincial Governments did not bestow enough thought to the financial and practical aspects of their plans. The Central plans were conceived by various ministries in water-tight compartments and failed to take a comprehensive view of financial implications, while the Provincial Governments were competing with one another and with the Centre in announcing their plans. This had an unhealthy influence on industrial development and national finances. The Provinces depend on the Centre for their funds. The result now is that a number of plans are given up after spending large sums on exploration. Some Provincial Governments, in order to secure funds, had to resort to desperate and ingenious methods of taxation and even compulsory loans. High taxation continued with high cost of living has considerably reduced the margin of savings, and very little capital was available for investment. Huge imports of unwanted goods resulted in contraction of the money in the circulation while the heavy decline in quotations of industrial shares created a feeling of defeatism among investors with the result that even Government loans had poor response from the investing public. The devaluation of the rupee has forced the Government to reduce their capital expenditure this year by 40 crores and a cut of rupees 80 crores in the next year is proposed. It is true that both the Central and Provincial Governments are anxious to improve the economic conditions of the masses and raise the standard of living but they must know that Rome was not built in a day. India's first need is to have self-sufficiency in food and this problem must receive early attention. The Government imported some tractors and fertilizers but the progress in this direction is not upto the mark. The second need is clothing. It is a known fact that for want of raw cotton several mills have closed down and we are compelled to import high priced cotton from foreign countries. Recently we experienced shortage of sugar so the Government must attend to existing industries before taking doubtful plans on hand. Mere controls will not do the magic trick. They will go in due course and free enterprise will have to be restored. Necessity is the mother of invention and, if people know the benefits to be derived from their enterprise and labour, there is bound to be higher production. The Congress Working Committee tackling the problem from another angle has come to the conclusion that a Statutory Planning Commission should be set up to consider the whole question. It is necessary first to find out resources both financial and practical before drawing any plan, however propitious it may seem and we must have skilled men to make a success of our schemes. Mere loans from the World Bank or dollar help from American millionaires will be of little value until we have the requisite machinery to take a realistic view of the whole situation. So far we have wasted large amounts on thoughtless planning but now India cannot afford to waste a single pie to satisfy the enthusiasm of our Ministers.

Self-Sufficiency In Food

In pursuance of their decision to make India self-sufficient in foodgrains by 1951, the Food Ministers' Conference at New Delhi has decided upon drastic cuts in this year's imports. The figure has been brought down from 40 lakh tons imported last year to 13 lakh tons in 1950. A central pool of 20 lakh tons of foodgrains will be built up, consisting of 13 lakh tons imported and 7 lakh tons collected from surplus areas in the country. This will mean that deficit areas will get less from the Centre, and the surplus provinces and states will have to contribute more. Thus Bombay will get from the Centre only five lakh tons of foodgrains this year when it had asked for double that amount. The total procurement from Provinces and States is expected to be 51 lakh tons against 41 lakh tons last year and the production of all cereals this year is likely to be increased from four crore ten lakhs to four crore 28 lakh tons. On paper, the deficit does not appear to be formidable. But it has to be remembered that procurement prices have been scaled down and, if the Government is not vigilant, the peasant may be tempted to cash on the blackmarket. With the tightening of the procurement drive, punishment for smugglers and blackmarketers ought to be made exemplary. On the part of the consumer, there need not be any tightening of belt if they take to the substitutes suggested by the Government. Those who complain that they do not get their favourite type of rice and not enough of any other kind, fail to appreciate the economic difficulties the country is in. There has to be a genuine attempt to eat other cereals. Also when there is an emergency one does not see why restaurants and hotels should be allowed to serve rationed food to persons other than regular boarders and travellers. This means that these are consuming more of rationed foodgrains than others who do not frequent these places. All these small leaks will have to be plugged if the flow of rationed foodgrains is to be curtailed.

Warning To Dr. Malan

The agitation against Dr. Malan's Government in South Africa has, all of a sudden, gathered momentum with the appearance on the scene of liberal Senator Edgar Brookes—the white representative of the Zulus in the Union's Upper House of Parliament. It should not have come as a surprise to Dr. Malan because he, while relentlessly pursuing his pet apartheid policy, had already apprehended the possibility of some sort of direct action. The resignation tendered by the coloured Advisory Council, which was originally appointed in 1943, virtually marked the beginning of non-co-operation with his government. Even English-speaking Europeans have started to leave South Africa; and in recent days passive resistance was whispered loudly in the circles affected by the unending series of discriminatory laws. The agitation has now culminated in assertion of the liberal viewpoint by Senator Brookes. The liberal Senator has called upon opponents of South Africa's policy of racial segragation to sign a declaration pledging themselves to accept any suffering in fighting to preserve the elements of democracy and freedom.

Senator Brookes's forceful speech was delivered at a dramatic moment within 48 hours before the Parliament was scheduled to open its session. Uttering a stern warning to the white population against the Nationalist Government he has predicted that only a few months might separate South Africa from becoming a semi-totalitarian state. The trend of events in South Africa gives ground for assumption that the prediction made by the liberal Senator might turn out to be true. Even on the eve of the tripartite conference Dr. Malan's government has hitherto shown no inclination to relax its policy of discrimination. The consequence would be that obstinacy would lead to the stiffening of opposition. Whatever be the gains to India at the end of the tripartite conference, the apartheid policy of South Africa must be treated as an international issue and the rights of original Africans and immigrants from all the countries must be vindicated. Democratic nations, including India, should join hands in defeating colour bar and segragation wherever they exist in the world.

Thought For The Day

The only thing which makes it possible to regard this world we live in without disgust is the beauty which now and then men create out of the chaos. The pictures they paint, the music they compose, the books they write, and the lives they lead. Of all these the richest in beauty is the beautiful life. That is the perfect work of art.

—W. S. MAUGHAM.

Tete-à-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT

Instances have not been wanting where clerks have died paupers and their colleagues had to raise subscriptions to pay funeral expenses. Article in a newspaper bewailing the lot of the Middle Classes.

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The Governor-General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, will visit Nilokheri, a refugee town-ship in Karnal District on Thursday morning, says a news report.

The chronicler of the Court Circular will find it hard to keep pace with the Governor-General till January 26. Maybe he will have a respite when Rajen Babu becomes the President. He has the chance of enjoying a rest-cure at Pilani.

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Mr. K. Madhava Menon, Education Minister, Madras, appealed to Ayurveda scholars to publicise and propagate the science because "much of the prejudice against Ayurveda was the result of ignorance of what Ayurveda was."

The ignorance is not limited to the would-be patients, and the prejudice may be the result not only of ignorance, but of too much knowledge.

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Apropos of the Bombay Civil Supplies' Minister's contention that the sugar crisis was caused not so much by scarcity as by transport difficulties, Mr. Santanam now says that the Sugar Syndicate had complained that the sugar was transported more quickly than was necessary.

That is the trouble with the railways — they are either too slow or too quick.

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Dean Acheson said that neither the Communists nor the Nationalists represented the will of the Chinese people and that the United States hoped that a "third force" would arise to replace both factions.

Is it a gentle hint to Dr. Tsiang that his position is now insecure?

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The privy purse of the Rajpramukh of Mysore State has been fixed at Rs. 26 lakhs annually.

Kannadigas may be proud, if and when the Karnatak Province (inclusive of Mysore) is formed, of having the highest paid Governor.

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Spain faced with an acute food crisis may soon conclude a deal for 300,000 tons of Russian wheat, says a news report.

The Caudillo will close his eyes when the Red wheat is served.

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"Symptoms of a new business malady has been noticed in the jute market in East Bengal. During the last fortnight, there have been many cases of fire in the jute godowns in the principal markets in Naraingung", says a news report.

Castor oil, even though Mr. Ghulam Mohammad does not like it, may be a good cure.

NEED OF THE HOUR

By V. S. Mavinkurve

OUR new constitution will, ere long, be an accomplished fact. On the eve of this new constitution working, it is but proper that we should reflect on our past history. Our history has some hard lessons to teach us and at this momentous juncture we must understand the lessons and profit by them. Bharat or our new Independent Republic must henceforth shine ever brighter. This can be done by cleansing ourselves and removing the dross that has accumulated over centuries by our own apathetic attitude or circumstances as the case may be.

I am dealing now with the chief drawback in our countrymen, which if we do not care to mend in time will prove disastrous to our country. We know that character is strength and we have to realise that National character is power. It may sound paradoxical to say that, with the inheritance of a great culture and tradition of which we are justly proud we have not developed national character to an equal extent. In the past, our history was a chronicle of intrigue and jealousy and the resultant dissensions proved a very fertile arena for foreigners to rule or rather misrule our country. This was all possible due to deplorable lack of national character on the part of our countrymen. Now, with true democracy come to stay, we must eschew personal prejudices and once for all cry a halt to intrigues and mutual recriminations because democratic conscience revolts against such activities.

EFFICIENT GOVERNANCE

We all desire that our Motherland should be restored to prestine glory. There is nothing wrong in desiring. But before we desire we should examine ourselves whether we deserve that greatness and whether we are capable of maintaining it. There are no two opinions about our deserving, but our past history rouses a serious doubt regarding our ability to maintain it unless we correct ourselves in time. The greatest feature of our new Constitution is universal adult suffrage and so the responsibility for the efficient governance of our country is all the greater and rests squarely on the shoulders of every adult. "Self reverence self knowledge and self control, these alone lead life to sovereign power", wrote a great poet. Each individual should try to mould himself, or herself after the above quotation because it is the essence of one's individual character. What is true in an individual is true in a nation also

NATIONAL CHARACTER

Today some countries are considered great and some small. We are apt to think, not quite without reason, that industrial progress, military strength and economic power are the only criteria for measuring a country's greatness or otherwise. It is not also the geographical area that counts for a country's greatness. The greatness of any country depends mainly on national character of her people, for example Britain today, compared to other great powers, is very small in territory and population, economically unsound and dependent on USA, militarily not in any case the first rate, industrially she is outstripped by USA, USSR and Germany. Yet she is, as she was hitherto, a powerful and great nation. What is the reason? The British as a whole, whether in their own country or outside never compromise the sanctity of their position and their national honour or undermine the prestige of their country. Britain, during the two world wars, the inter-war and post-war periods has borne the brunt of repeated onslaught on her economic, political and social life. But for the exemplary courage and fortitude of her people, she would have been wiped out as a nation. Britain survived the past and is well on the way to recovery from the present. It was their unimpeachable national integrity and character that gave her people the strength to overcome crisis in the past. National character is the greatest reservoir from which they draw their strength to meet any emergency with success. It is the confidence in their character, it must be admitted, that strengthens their position in national and international affairs even though she is in certain cases guilty of serious acts of omission and commission. Any other nation placed in her position would in all probabilities have lost the power, prestige and greatness that is generally associated with Britain.

Some may think that we have suffered greater misery than Britain and we have survived. I should think we merely existed and not survived, because of our traditional philosophy of accepting crisis as our lot after submitting to evil, without even exerting ourselves to remove causes of evil. Such an attitude was more resposible for our misery, than any other single cause.

MENTAL EQUILIBRIUM

Today we are a free nation, with freedom our responsibilities and duties have icreased. We are fortuate today, as we have been singularly so throughout in the past, to have at the helm of affairs of our country, national leaders of outstanding vision, courage and ability, and those few are carrying on their shoulders the heavy responsibility of creating, out of the present unhappy position—a great country. Should we not, individually and collectively lend our unstinted help and co-operation to them at this hour when international conditions sway our minds? What is required of us now, is the maintenance of steady mental equilibrium, discipline and patience to face difficulties and personal discomforts. All actions should subserve our national recovery. Employers and employees, industrialists and labourers, landlords and peasants and in fact every one of us should subordinate individual gain for country's good. By this we shall not only be able to take a great anxiety off the minds of our leaders but we shall be able to recover from our present ills very much earlier. We will be condemned for ever if we try to turn other people's necessity into our opportunity At this juncture we have to exhibit our deep sense of values and proportion and a high sense of national character. We shall be failing our leaders if we do not bring out from our dormant nature greater sense of patriotism and responsibility, spirit of sacrifice and service, courage to bear and overcome temporary difficulties in a calm and disciplined manner.

TRUE PATRIOTISM

Criticism must be sparing, constructive and cogent. Slandering of public figures should be scrupulously avoided. On the other hand we should refuse to submit to anything that is evil, base and anti-national or be gullible to false propaganda. All "isms" should subserve—and not subverse—nationalism and all our actions should be directed towards developing and improving our national character because that is the one and the sure bulwark against external dangers or internal troubles. If the repetition of our past history of internecine wars and consequent exploitation of our country by foreigners has to be avoided, we have to behave and think purely from national standpoint. True patriotism implies nationalism and national character going together, and this can be ignored at great peril. The present situation in our country demands from every intelligent person a realistic approach to every problem, less talk and more work.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Salary Cuts

Like Caeser's wife, any country's judicial and civil services must be above suspicion. One way of doing it is to pay them well. The British followed that practice in India and, though there was criticism, one has to admit that the services were untainted by corruption, whatever their other faults may have been. In free India, though there has to be a scaling down of officials, salaries to bring them more in line with the general standard of life in the country, one must not reduce it too much. It is not only undesirable but dangerous. Following the example of the Central Ministers the Chief Justice of Madras and other Indian Puisne judges have voluntarily taken a cut of Rs. 750/- and Rs. 500/- respectively in their salaries. We hope that the cut has not been so drastic as to put any of the judges into financial difficulties. As this vogue of taking cuts is likely to spread it will not be out of place to draw attention to the dangers involved. Many an Officer may accept a cut to save face or maintain prestige. If there have to be cuts in salaries to meet the economy drive, the right course is for the Government to appoint an enquiry commission to bring down all pay scales to a level which the country can afford and at which the men concerned can maintain their positions without danger of falling victims to temptations. The Government policy should be to raise the general standard of living and not lower it. No doubt during bad times one has to tighten one's belt but that should not be accepted as a normal condition. All national projects and policies should be so planned that the common man can earn more, eat and live better and have as many amenities as modern science and civilisation can provide.

The Third Force

Few will share the optimism of Mr. Dean Acheson, the U. S. Secretary of State, that a "third force"—apart from the Communists and the Nationalists— would arise to represent the will of the Chinese people. Such a force could arise, if at all, only after another bloody conflict, but at the moment the Chinese are tired of a war that has gone on relentlessly for well over two decades. The easy march of Communism has been possible because of the frustration of the Chinese people who are prepared to suffer anything, if only it will ensure stability. Mr. Acheson's statement will be a damper to those ardent spirits in the Kuomintang who hoped that American dollars will flow freely for a "last ditch stand" in Formosa. For all practical purposes, by proclaiming that neither the Nationalists nor the Communists represent the will of the Chinese people, America has washed her hands off the Nationalists. By announcing that Formosa is a part of China, Mr. Acheson, paradoxically, has made the position of Marshal Chiang worse. No finger will be raised when that ripe apple falls into the lap of the Communists.

Professions And Practice

Pakistan's decision to impose a "blockade" on all movements to India from East Bengal will not come as a surprise to those who have been following the pattern of that country's policies. That this was preceded by the "peace offer" of Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan and Mr. Ghulam Mohammed is an eloquent commentary on the methods of Pakistan's diplomacy. Those high falutin' words are meant for foreign consumption, for such of those gullible diplomats who find in the Pakistan Premier's airy generalisations proof of his faith in democratic methods. To say that the blockade has been imposed to embarrass India is to under-state the malignant motives behind the move. Of late, there have been reports of the harassment which the minorities are subjected to in East Bengal, where there are still lakhs of Hindus tenaciously clinging on to their ancestral homes. Not only is their cry of agony unheeded by a Government which should have rushed to the rescue of the oppressed, but the only means of escape is closed to them. The Government of India must act betimes

Ending Communalism

During his visit to different towns in Maharashtra, Dr. M. R. Jayakar has displayed needed vehemence in denouncing communalism. Addressing students of the Rajaram College at Kolhapur, he exhorted them to uproot communalism, caste hatred and feelings of superiority or inferiority of castes. Students should be the torch-bearers of nationalism in free India. Responsible leaders all over the country should join hands in creating a strong front against the deep-rooted evil of communalism. They should prevail upon the institutions which they can influence to discard its every vestige. The Poona University, it is gratifying to learn from Dr. Jayakar, has translated into practice what its Vice Chancellor has preached to others and has abjured the principle of communalism as a condition of donations offered in a good number. Credit should go to an institution for rejecting donations on principle when itself was badly in need of funds. Other educational institutions should follow the precedent set by the Poona University. Communalism or sectarianism must be eradicted from temples of learning. And then it should have no room in civic administration. Introduction of joint electorate would be a mockery of democracy, if municipalities continue to support with grants, societies and institutions which were manifestly communal in constitution.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Evolution Vs. Revolution

The Indian Consembly claimed to be sovereign and independent, and therefore competent to pass the new Constitution of India without the assent of the King or the Governor-General. Though the assent is a mere constitutional formality and the present Governor-General is Indian and a top-ranking Congressman, the Congress-majority in the Consembly was determined to make a clean sweep of the King and his Governor-General, though, curiously enough the same body was agreeable to Republican India being a member of the Commonwealth and acknowledge the King as its Head! Nevertheless, it found it necessary to give a place to the King's Governor-General in the Republican Constitution and empower him to amend the Constitution without the assent of the Consembly! The Republican Constitution of the United States of America did not recognise the King of England, much less empower him to amend the American Constitution. Here, in India, Art 392 (3) of the new Constitution empowered the King's Governor-General to amend the Constitution even without the assent of the Consembly. It would have been far more consistent with its claims to sovereignty and its Republican sentiment if the Constitution had been self-sufficient. If, however it was inescapable that an external authority should be invoked, it would have been more self-respecting if that authority was, say, the President of the Indian National Congress, rather than the British King's Governor-General. The present arrangement satisfies neither evolutionary sense or revolutionary sentiment. It betrays a confusion of constitutional issues. If the Constitution of India were revolutionary, as the USA Constitution was, there was no place whatever in it for the King or his Governor-General. If however, it is evolutionary, then the assent, however formal, of the King's Governor-General is a constitutional necessity. If the assent of the Governor-General to the new Constitution be taken, much constitutional confusion and sentimental embarrassment can be avoided

—P. KODANDA RAO.

Bangalore.

Saurashtra Harijans

Harijans comprise ten per cent of Saurashtra population and yet are unrepresented in Saurashtra Assembly. There seems to have been made no provision for the interim period also. This is against the spirit and letter of Constitution and endangers Harijans' interests. Granting of due representation to minorities without reservation is the truest acid test of justice and fairplay. I appeal to Pandit Nehru not to fail Harijans and secure them due representation.

—JIVRAJ GOHIL.

Halar, Saurashtra.

Kanpur Test

After all, the fourth Test ended in a draw and India was able to get away with it only by the skin of her teeth.

The story of this Test is again a tale of dropped catches. India seems to have excelled herself in this department of the game at Kanpur! Inspite of all that was said and written about U.P. proving the Waterloo of visiting teams, Kanpur, at least, did not live up to this reputation, although there is every reason to believe that it might have done so, had the chances offered been accepted. As far as "Tests" are concerned, records show that Madras has better claims for this reputation than any other centre, (U.P. not having been granted a test Centre until the present series), and let us hope it will justify its claims when the 5th Test of the present series is played there.

As regards the match itself, it is a matter of regret that the Selectors should have thought fit to drop C. S. Nayudu, and that too, immediately after his splendid match-winning performance at Calcutta. He is as good a bowler on matting wickets as anyone else, and he deserves a place in the team for his fielding alone, if for nothing else, and today fielding is our worst weakness.

Mantri should definitely drop out and Sen given the place in the final Test at Madras. Mantri was expected to play the role of a batsman-cum-wicket-keeper, and he has proved that he is neither.

In spite of his being an idol to our Sporting Governor, I am afraid that, judging by his recent performances, Modi will also have to drop out and give place to a more consistent man in the next Test. In any case he should not have been chosen for the Kanpur Test on a matting wicket on which he has never been known to be a success.

It is a pity that despite though it to bring in Vinoo when Tribe came in to bat in the first innings, knowing fully well that Tribe was very severe on him in the previous Test and thus allowed Tribe to hit off all valuable runs at the tail-end of the innings.

Mushtaq's was a sparkling innings typical of him, and it was really an agreeable surprise that he was not to curb his impetuous and aggressive which is very unusual with him. If, had he taken a leaf from Worrell's book and stayed a little longer at the crease, he would have entirely changed the complexion of the game and in all probability, have saved the match.

Not a word about [illegible] from official quarters yet. With the addition of Merchant and Amarnath, what a team India could have put on the field! Our hopes of victory will then soar very high indeed!

—N. K. A. SASTRY.

Sex Education

Recently, Hon Minister K. Santanam expressed the view that if the ever-growing population of India is not checked it would prove a menace to the economic future of the country. If the Government are sincere in their views about over population it is advisable that they impart knowledge about sexes, birth control and family planning in higher classes of schools and colleges. Free clinics to give advice to the poor should be opened all over the country and popularise birth control among them.

—P. K. PADMANABHAN.

Marol-Kurla Bus Service

The Marol-Kurla Bus Service has got a standing record of mismanagement and bad treatment to its workers. There are no leave rules, no pay scales, no provident fund scheme, even the workers do not get overtime. The workers are now trying to form an union and the management has started by dismissing the active workers and office bearers of the union. There are several other things about the management which need investigation.

DR. AMUL M. DESAI
Upanagar Bus Kamgar Sabha

INDIAN MADE TELEPHONES

They Are As Good As Foreign Ones

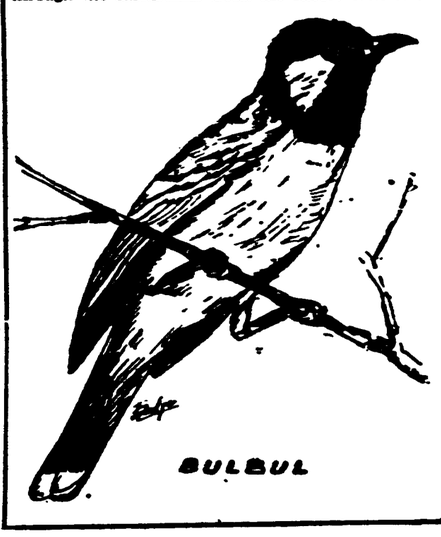
BANGALORE, Jan. 19 (UPI).—"The standard of product which the Indian Telephone Industries in Bangalore will turn out will be good as any equipment produced in U.K. or the United States of America", said Mr. A. F. Bennet, Director of Automatic Telephone and Electric Company, London, who is the telecommunication consultant to the Government of India, in an interview with the United Press of India today.

Mr. Bennet added that products of the Indian Telephone Industries would incorporate the latest improvements and latest available technique.

Mr. Bennet said that the Indian Telephone Industries factory which was in the process of construction was making good progress. The plan of the factory was very comprehensive and was being executed in a very commendable way. "Factories, such as for tele-communication are essential for the development and welfare of any country", he further observed.

OPEN AIR

A week in the shadow of the Duke's Nose, Khandala, with nothing to do but to eat, sleep and enjoy the peace and beauty of the countryside! It is cold here. A heavy wind springing up during the night brings the thermometer down in the morning to 66 F, but a 66 which makes winter woollies very acceptable and comforting. Khandala spells complete peace; the only sounds to be heard all day are the sounds of nature—the wind soughing through the casuerimas trees, the cheery calls of the bulbul, and the scolding cries of the drongo and the resounding kutroo-kutroo of the green barbet. Sitting on the mountainside with knitting, cigarette and binoculars at hand for a better view of the glorious scenery, the whole world seems to be at peace until a minute rustle under a neighbouring bush of lantana betrays the presence of a huge snake—fortunately only a Daman—glaring balefully at the human intruders on his territory. I suppose this love of the peace of Nature depends on one's upbringing, for I have other and less complimentary descriptions applied to it by people who say, "Oh, yes. The country is all right for a day, but let us get back to Bombay where there is something to do!" Personally I could be content to stay here for ever!



—D.R.

MOOKERJEE'S CALL TO TEXTILE TRADE

Export Target For Year Must Be Maintained

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (PTI).

DR. Syamaprasad Mookerjee Minister for Industry and Supply, told the textile conference today that India must maintain the export target of 800 million yards fixed for this year so that she would earn the foreign exchange required for the import of enough cotton for her mills.

Government, he said, were well aware of the need for ensuring that exports did not cause scarcity of certain varieties of cloth and yarn in the internal market.

The conference was attended by Ministers of Civil Supplies and officials from all provinces and states. Dr. Mookerjee presided.

There was some discussion about the possible revision of the price structure of cotton textiles which may be necessary as a result of higher prices that have to be paid for imported cotton. The general opinion was that there should be no appreciable rise in the retail prices of textiles and yarn.

WORKING OF CONTROLS

Dr. Mookerjee made a general survey of the working of textile controls with special reference to the present distribution arrangements, the raw cotton position, the price structure of cotton textiles and exports.

Dr. Mookerjee explained that on account of the successful working of the distribution system adopted since last September and partly on account of the export drive there was now no congestion of stocks with the mills. The consumers generally were also experiencing no difficulty now in obtaining their requirements of cloth at controlled prices. As a matter of fact, in certain places, cloth was now selling below the ceiling prices fixed.

He requested the provincial governments to see that the zonal system of cotton distribution to mills is strictly achered to and supplies to mills ensured by requisitioning, whenever necessary.

Dr. Mookerjee indicated that the only long-term solution for cotton shortage was that India should produce at least one million bales more of cotton, but while this was receiving the urgent consideration of the Government of India it had to be considered in terms of an overall integrated crop production policy. The policy of Government regarding next year's crop would be formulated and announced well before the next sowing season.

DISTRIBUTION

The conference then proceeded to a general discussion on the working of the distribution system of cotton textiles. It was the general consensus of opinion that the present distribution system arrangements were working fairly satisfactorily, except that the provincial nominees often failed to obtain from the mills their quota in the desired varieties.

It was felt by most provinces that instead of quotas of textiles being allocated to provinces on the basis of estimated production, the allocations should be made on the basis of actual production and the provinces should be given the choice to lift them by the middle of the month following the month of production.

The conference also discussed the prices of cotton textiles, the margin allowed to trade, availability of popular varieties of cloth in different parts of the country as also of lower counts of yarn for the handloom industry. The question of giving freedom to wholesale dealers in one area to sell cloth to retailers in other areas specially with reference to the wholesale trade in Delhi was also discussed.

The matters discussed in the conference will come up for further discussion tomorrow at the meeting of the Textile Advisory Committee.

RUPEE RATE DISPUTE

Delhi Surprised By Pak Statement

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI): Authoritative circles in the Indian capital today expressed surprise over the Pakistan Commerce Minister Mr. Fazlur Rahman's reported statement in the Pakistan Assembly on January 16 that India must agree to recognition of the Pakistan rate of exchange as a condition precedent to the revival of the Inter-Dominion Trade Agreement.

Apart from the fact that this demand is regarded as inconsistent with India's economic sovereignty, these circles stated that even the Pakistan State Bank did not seem to have recognised the rate of exchange notified by the Pakistan Government, as it had refused to purchase and sell the Indian rupee on any scale at the Pakistan rate of exchange. Crores of rupees accruing to India from Indian enterprises in Pakistan were reported to have been refused repatriation, although there was no exchange control between the two countries.

FINALITY SOON

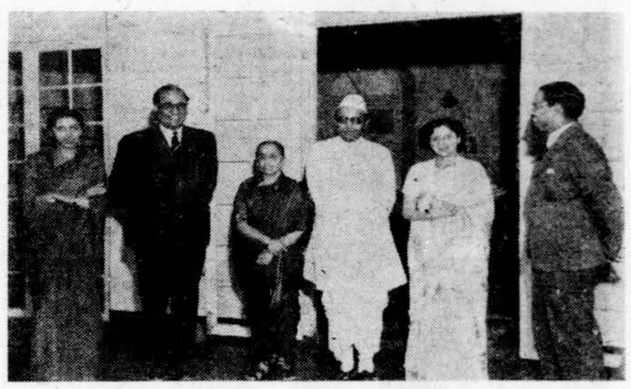
These circles said that Pakistan would soon be in a position to prove the true par value of her rupee when she became a member of the International Monetary Fund. Pakistan was at present not a member of the Fund and her rate of exchange had not been examined by international standards as in the case of other countries which were members of the Fund. Lastly, there had been transactions in which 100 Pakistan rupees had been exchanged for 93 Indian rupees.

These circles regarded Pakistan's ban on the import of cotton textiles from India as "discriminatory" and refused to accept the Pakistan Minister's suggestion that it was occasioned by exchange difficulties.

For the revival of Inter-Dominion trade, it was not necessary that there should be recognition of India of Pakistan's rate of exchange. Import and export restrictions could be removed and private banks in Pakistan could be exempted from the ban that they should not buy and sell Indian rupees except at the rate of exchange notified by the Pakistan Government.

Mr. Balwantrai G Mehta, Minister for Education and local-self-Government was elected Deputy Leader of the Saurashtra Congress Assembly Party at a meeting held at Rajkot on Thursday. Mr. Jadavji Modi and Mr. Jethalal Joshi, have been selected Congress nominees for the posts of the Speaker and Deputy Speaker respectively for the Legislative Assembly, elections for which will be held on Friday.

RAHIMTOOLA ENTERTAINED BY KHER



Mr. B. G. Kher entertained Habit Rahimtoola, Pakistan's High Commissioner in London on Thursday at the former's residence.

PAKISTAN'S HATRED OF INDIA

Noon In A Snarling Mood

KARACHI, 19. (PTI-Reuter).

SIR Firoz Khan Noon, former High Commissioner of undivided India in London, today warned the Western Powers that if war came over Kashmir it would "engulf the whole sub-continent in an ideology which would not be favourable to them."

During a stormy debate on Kashmir in the Pakistan Parliament he declared: "I would go to the extent of saying that the people of Pakistan would much rather be a province of Russia than of India, despite what the democracies say".

During the debate several members of Parliament declared that the United Nations had failed to settle Indian and Pakistan differences over Kashmir and that Britain and the United States were responsible for the present deadlock.

LOOKING IN VAIN

Sir Feroz Khan Noon said: "If Pakistan is looking to the United Nations for a solution of the Kashmir problem I regret to say it is looking in vain".

He said the Security Council was "a plaything in the hands of the two great nations, the United States and the United Kingdom".

Both had favoured India over Kashmir, the United States because it feared Communism and Britain because it wished to consolidate the Commonwealth.

Sir Firoz Khan, who recently toured Europe and the United States, said he had noticed a change of attitude on the part of the American people and Government. He hoped they would quickly take a more reasonable attitude over Kashmir.

ANOTHER CRITIC

Another critics of the instrument of negotiation was the left-wing newspaper proprietor Mian Iftikharuddin. He felt that negotiation would never bring about a settlement of the Kashmir problem.

He took the view that Britain, America "or any other capitalist country" would support India against Pakistan because India was bigger, richer, and had more industry.

Begum Shah Nawaz also expressed the view that negotiation had failed and said, "We should not in any way depend on the United Nations."

ASIAN ISSUES NEGLECTED

Indian Charge On I. L. O.

NUWARA ELIYA, (Ceylon), Jan. 19 (PTI).

INDIA today called on the International Labour Organisation to "work at a very much faster pace to make up leeway in Asia".

Mr. Sitarama Reddi, India's Chief Delegate, addressing the plenary session of the Asian Regional Conference of the I.L.O. charged the Organisation with having neglected the Asian problems for a long time.

He rebuked I.L.O., for having kept "indefinitely in cold storage" a proposal put forward by the Asian powers who attached considerable importance to it.

In a twenty-minute speech on the report by the I.L.O. Director-General, the Indian Delegate sought I.L.O.'s technical aid for India in her industrial housing programme and in her planning and survey in connection with fixing minimum wages for industrial workers.

Mr. Sitarama Reddi also reiterated India's demand for the establishment of an Asian Advisory Committee of the I.L.O., with a co-ordinating secretariat.

French ex-Premier Paul Ramadier called for sweeping land reforms and for fair wages and conditions in Asian countries.

"As long as Asia does not produce more we cannot regard the problems facing it as near solution", he declared. "As long as they are not solved, Asia will overshadow the world, and the risks of political discord, conflict and war will continue to threaten us".

"Poverty is irresistibly contagious contains all the germs of other disturbances which must inevitably spread if poverty is unrestrained," M. Ramadier said.

The I.L.O's mission is to "persuade richer countries of the world to share the prosperity with their unfortunate bretheren of poorer countries of Asia", according to Mr. M. A. Master, Indian Employers' Delegate to the I.L.O. Asian Regional Conference.

Mr. Master estimated India's requirements of capital for various industrial undertakings planned by the Government at 1,200 crores of rupees.

HYDROGEN SUPER BOMB

No Talks With Russia, Says Truman

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter)—President Truman said today that he was not considering opening of negotiations with Russia about a reported hydrogen bomb.

He declined to comment at his weekly press conference when asked if he had under consideration the production of a hydrogen super bomb.

The President was asked about reports that he was considering the possibility of making another attempt to reach agreement with the Soviet Union before he decided whether to produce a hydrogen bomb.

The President today unhesitatingly denied that he was even considering such negotiations.

He also denied reports that Dr. Lilienthal had offered to go personally to Russia in order to seek agreement with the Soviet Government on this subject.

The President was more hesitant when he was asked whether he actually had under consideration the production of a hydrogen bomb.

After a second's ppause he said that he could not comment on that.

He said that no decision had been reached on a successor to Dr. Lilienthal.

The United Nations Commission for Indonesia is considering redeploying its 54 observers because of the changed situation, it was announced in Djakarta on Thursday.

HAPHAZARD PLANNING BY PROVINCES

Commerce Federation Review: Priority Essential, It Says

(Continued from page 1)

state of natural resources, the present scarcity of capital, and scarcity of technical personnel in the country while formulating their plans. The review criticised the "optimism" of the Government's Advisory Planning Board which in its report in 1946 had stated that "during the next five years the provision of funds for the development is not likely to present such difficulties as shortage of capital equipment and trained personnel." This optimism could not be shared by many in view of the financial position which had been causing anxiety for the last two or three years.

The review citing examples and giving facts and figures said that most of the schemes were utterly divorced from practical possibilities. The multipurpose irrigation schemes, numbering 170, the estimated cost of which was Rs. 1,200 crores, required foreign exchange and dollars alone amounting to Rs. 100 crores. Import of this magnitude was not possible owing to India's adverse balance of trade. Loans from the World Bank were halting and carried a high rate of interest.

STUDY IMPLICATIONS

It was, therefore, imperative that the Government of India and the Provinces should study the implications of their schemes vis-a-vis the availability of goods and material and the effect of these schemes on other development plans.

There were schemes, the review said, on which money was being spent for the investigation of projects but which stood no chance of being developed in the near future. Inadequate attention was also being paid to the problem of utilising the "ultimate product" of big plans. It had not been stipulated how the electrical energy that would be egenerated from the Damodar Valley and other Hydel-power schemes would be utilised.

Referring to capital available for investment, the review said that the history of capital flotations in the past two or three years sufficiently proved that "our financial resources cannot be sufficient for developing this country to any considerable extent." High taxation combined with the high cost of living had considerably reduced the margin of savings with the result that there was little capital available for investment. The conflicting policies pursued by some of the Governmental bodies, punctuated with frequent threats of nationalisation, had made even the available capital shy.

NO "OPEN DOOR"

The review did not favour the adoption of an "open door policy" in the matter of participation of foreign capital in industries which would "stultify Indian enterprise." It was necessary that the conditions under which foreign capital might participate in Indian industry should be carefully regulated in the national interest. For the time being participation of foreign capital should be restricted to specialised industries requiring a high degree of technical skill and "know-how."

Referring to the attitude of Provincial Governments "who are trying to compete with private enterprise in certain fields", the review said that the "dog in the manger policy" of these Governments had retarded the progress of industrialisation in the country.

Suggesting co-ordination of Government plans as the way out of the present "planning impasse", the Federation recommends the setting up of a central cordinating authority to review departmental policies.

ORDER OF PRIORITY

"In view of the acute scarcity of capital it is absolutely necessary that all the plans of the Provincial and Central Governments should be reviewed and a strict order of priority given to all these schemes. Most of these plans have failed due to financial stringency and the recent decision of the Central Government to reduce the grants to Provinces will mean that most of the Provinces will have to put a stop to their development plans."

Stop Press

MISCHIEF BEHIND PAK AIRCRASH?

KARACHI, Jan. 19 (PTI): The possibility of intentional mischief on the part of someone in tampering with the aircraft machine was hinted by Wing Commander Awan, member of the Inquiry Tribunal of the first Pak Airways crash in November 1949 near Multan in which 21 persons including the crew of five were killed. The tribunal members were, however, unanimous that the maintenance of the establishment of the Pak Airways was not upto the mark and it was necessary to strengthen it.

U. S. AID TO KOREA

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter): The House of Representatives today opened a debate on a new sixty million dollar economic aid programme for Southern Korea. The House passed at its last session an interim appropriation of sixty million dollars for Korea, which would make the Korean Aid Programme total 120 million dollars for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1950.

BULGARIAN REQUEST

SOFIA, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter): The Bulgarian Government have asked the Yugoslav Government for the immediate recall of the first Secretary of the Yugoslav Embassy and the Consul in Sofia, the Bulgarian news agency announced here tonight.

ANOTHER SOVIET WALKOUT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet delegate to the Far Eastern Commission today walked out of a meeting of that body in protest against the presence of a representative of the Chinese Nationalist Government.

JEROME D'SOUZA AS VISITING PROFESSOR

NEW YORK, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter).—The Rev. Jerome D'Souza, Principal of Loyola College, Madras, and a member of the Indian delegation to the United Nations, has been appointed visiting Professor at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences of Fordham University. The appointment will be until the end of May.

This Is How

STALIN CONTROLS THE MIND

Lenin's Democracy Is A Thing Of The Past

SINCE the October Revolution of 1917 the Russian Bolsheviks have developed the most comprehensive and far-reaching system of mind control known to history. They have been able to surpass earlier despotisms in this respect because they have had at their disposal all of the agencies for the moulding of the mind that modern science and technology have created.

They coordinate and employ these agencies—the school, the press, the radio, and the moving picture, the automobile, the airplane, and the machine gun, science, literature, and art—with utter ruthlessness and singleness of purpose.

BY

Dr. George S. Counts

This is the first of a series of of Mind Control", specially written articles on the "Soviet system ten by the author from his sensational book "The country of The Blind", in which he has analysed in association with Mrs. Lucia Lodge, a Russia-born research worker. Dr. Counts is the professor of Education and former director of the International Institute at Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York City.

The key to the understanding of this system of mind control is the All-Union Communist Party, or the Party of Lenin and Stalin, with its 6,300,000 members, its Central Committee of 71 or 72, its Politburo of 12 or 14, and its complex and far-flung apparatus. Here also is the real key to that "understanding" of the Soviet Union which so many people are asking for today. In fact the Party, and not the government, is the Soviet state.

THE PARTY

..The Party of Lenin and Stalin, of course, is not a political party at all in the sense in which the term is used in democratic states. It rules neither on the authority nor with the consent of the people. Like its predecessor of the empire, the House of Romanov, it can be dissolved only by violent means or extreme national crisis. In general structure and mode of operation it is a kind of political army.

Following with amazing precision the plan for a revolutionary organization outlined by Paul Pastel, a Russian revolutionist of the early nineteenth century, the Party of Lenin and Stalin has its three levels or circles of membership: it has its common soldiers, its commissioned and non-commissioned officers, its high command.

Stalin said it this way in his report to the plenary session of the Central Committee on March 3, 1937: "There are 3,000 or 4,000 first rank leaders whom I would call our Party's corps of generals. There are 30,000 to 40,000 midle-rank leaders who are our Party's corps of officers. Then there are 100,000 to 150,000 of the low rank Party command staff who are, so to speak, our Party's noncommissioned officers."

The duty of the soldiers and officers is to carry out the orders of the high command. The latter consists of the 12 or 14 members of the Politburo, who are the most important of the 71 or 72 members of the Central Committee.

PROCESS ABANDONED

In Lenin's time, as in Stalin's, the operation of the Party was supposed to proceed under the principle of "democratic centralism." According to this principle all policies would be fully discussed by the rank and file in the thousands of cells which constitute the base of the organization. Thereafter delegates would be chosen presumably to represent the members at regularly called Party congresses and the policies adopted would be binding on the entire membership. Under Stalin this entire process has been abandoned or perverted. The last congress convened in the spring of 1939. And if another congress should be called in the near future, as promised, one may be certain, as has been true for 20 years, that every delegate will be carefully picked by the leadership and will support without qualification the basic policies of Stalin and the Politburo.

Under this system of control there can be no public questioning of high government policy, either foreign or domestic. Such policy is discussed and formulated by the Party high command. It is thereafter the function of the other members of this political army to enforce acceptance of the policy—to carry it to the people, to explain and argue, to persuade and cajole, to secure the adoption of resolutions of approvel, and to prevent the emergence of any kind of organized opposition. All branches of the cultural apparatus are made to serve the same purpose. The Soviet citizen reads and listens in vain for the slightest criticism of any policy adopted by the central organs of the Party.

This ruthless system of mind control has been laid bare with appalling clarity during the last 3 years.

(To Be Continued)

Part II of this six-article series describes Stalin's decision to use education as a "weapon" to support the Politburo's foreign policy, which resulted in the infamous "Resolutions on Ideology," passed since August 1946 by the Central Committee of the Party of Lenin and Stalin.

NEW ERA IN PRINTING HISTORY

A new typesetting machine that uses film instead of metal, a device declared by some industry experts to be the most significant advance in the printing art in the last 75 years, was recently demonstrated before a group of scientists and publishers' representatives at Cambridge, Massachusetts, in eastern United States.

The machine, developed oy the Lithomat Corporation of Cambridge, is expected ultimately to reduce mechanical printing costs, and it is predicted, may revolutionize newspaper, magazine and book publishing throughout the world.

Fundamentally, the machine consists of three main sections, an electric typewriter, a mechanical "memory" device similar to those used in advanced-type calculating machines and a combination of high-speed stroboscopic light and precision photographic and optical units. Even at its present stage of development, the machine, yet to be perfected, can "set" 20 lines of newspaper type a minute—roughly 2 1/2 times the top capacity of a conventional machine setting metal type. A flick of the finger makes it possible to change type styles even in the middle of a word, if desired. The new printing process represents the combined work of a number of scientists and engineers, as well as the results of accumulated developments in recent years in electrical engineering.

The photograph shows Dr. Vannevar Bush, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, a leading United States scientific research organization located in Washington, D. C. setting a line of type on the new photographic-composition machine. With him in the laboratory of the Lithomat Corporation, where the machine was developed and is being perfected, is Dr. Samuel H. Caldwell, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Bush and Dr. Caldwell were among those whose research and ideas helped produce the machine.

News BRIEFS

"India Week will be celebrated on January 23, birthday of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, to the end on January Thirty, anniversary of the death of Mahatma Gandhi, says a Rangoon message.

BANDIT CHIEF FOUND DEAD

The Italian police found on Thursday at the bottom of a ninety foot well the body of Giuseppe Labruzzo, chief ally of bandit King Salvatore Giuliand and known killer of 53 people.

Five of the staff of civil air transport are believed to have been captured by Communists at Mengtse Southern Hunan, officials said at Hong Kong.

RUSSIA QUITS U. N. ATOM TALKS

Provocation Over Chinese Issue

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter): M. Jacob Malik, Chief Soviet delegate, walked out of the United Nations atomic talks today

The issue was the same as that which provoked the recent withdrawals by Soviet delegations from other United Nations bodies—Chinese Nationalist representation.

The meeting from which M. Malik withdrew was held behind closed doors between the six permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission—Britain, the United States, Russia, France, China and Canada.

The Soviet delegate came out an hour after the meeting began. He was immediately surrounded by reporters.

In answer to questions he produced a copy of a resolution he had presented to the meeting which followed closely his statements made recently in the Security Council.

ABSENCE FROM TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

GENEVA, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter). The Russian delegate was not present when the sixth session of the United Nations Trusteeship Council opened here today.

The meeting adjourned after seven minutes as a mark of respect for M. Tesfaie Tegaguegn, Ethiopian Minister in Paris and a well-known figure in United Nations circles, who was found dead from heart failure in his Geneva hotel early today.

NO EXECUTIONS ON R-DAY

Details Of Remissions

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (UPI)—The Government of India have issued orders that no executions should take place on January 26 or 27.

To mark the inauguration of the Republic, the Government have decided to grant remissions of sentences from six weeks to nine years to various categories of prisoners in Chief Commissioner's Provinces.

The remissions will be on the following scale:

(1) Prisoners sentenced to three months or less will have the entire unexpired portion of their terms remitted. They will all be released on January 26.

(2) Prisoners with sentences of 10 years or less will be released if on January 26 they have served half their term inclusive of remissions previously earned.

(3) Prisoners sentenced to more than 10 years or transportation for life will be also be released if they have served at least 5 years inclusive of remission

Indian Navy To Use New Ensign From Jan. 26

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI): The new Indian Naval Ensign will replace the White Ensign used by the Indian Navy when India becomes a Republic on January 26.

The White Ensign will be hoisted at colours as usual at 8 o'clock that morning but an hour later, it will be struck and the Indian Naval Ensign hoisted, accompanied by appropriate ceremony.

Teaching Ghettoland A Lesson

GREENWICH, (South Africa) Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter)—Indian pastor Bernard Sigamoney predicted here today that world opinion would eventually force South Africa to change her racial policy.

The independence of India and Pakistan had changed the outlook of politically minded Indians here, he said, and they now realised the importance of the vote in influencing Parliament and legislation.

South African Indians demanded full citizenship rights or "the doors of South Africa will be opened by progressives from all parts of the world". This would give new hope to millions bound by tradition, oppression and force he added.

Pastor Sigamoney was speaking to the South African Institute for Race Relations.

TELEPHONE RAID

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application both of which are said have been accepted by him.

On receipt of the money, Fernand is said to have ordered his men start wiring the telephone connection at the residence of the complainant, 638, Muncherji Joshi Road, Dadar.

Fernandes was arrested on the road near the scene of operations. He was searched in the presence of the honorary magistrates. The marked notes were recovered from him.

The arrest of Fernandes was followed by a quick raid of the office of the Superintending Engineer of the Telephone Department, from where, it is learnt, Sub-Inspector Singh seized important files, letters and other documents.

FOREIGN FILMS

George Raft in "Red Light".

Raft Takes To Vengeance

Combining a fast moving tale of blood and vengeance with the notable talents of George Raft and Virginia Mayo, "Red Light", which opens this week at the New Empire, is an unusual screen presentation of a theme as old as Cain.

Innocent blood is shed when embezzler Raymond Burr has Raft's brother liquidated in order to pay off old grudges which he has against Raft. Dying in Raft's arms, the brother tells him to open his bible and therein find the answer to the killing. Mistakenly taking this to be a clue, Raft institutes a hunt for the bible, which, by a queer accident, has disappeared.

In the meantime, the arch villain once more starts working for Raft, who harbours no suspicions about him. There is a tense climax when the killer is trapped on a roof with the cold fury of Raft's revenge pitted against him, and the resulting situation lacks nothing in the way of spine-tingling excitement.

In the central role, Raft has a strong and meaty part, which, while it does not call for histrionic ability of a very high order, nevertheless allows him to portray one of those tough characters he specialises in. Virginia Mayo, as the girl who is deputed by Raft to do the detective work, has a part in which she acquits herself with her usual charm. Raymond Burr as the villain, Gene Lockhart, and Barton MacLane head the supporting 5cast. Donald Barry's original story, "This Guy Gideon" was adapted for the screen by George Calahan, and the incidental music was by Dmitri Tiomkin. Produced and directed by Roy Del Ruth, the tempo keeps swift-paced throughout.

Hazards Of Gold-Lust

Purporting to be the factual narrative of the famous "Lost Dutchman" mine, Columbia's latest thriller, "Lust For Gold", which is the current fare at the Relgal, abounds with drama and adventure of a peculiarly brutal kind.

Starring Ida Lupino and Glenn Ford in the main roles, the film shows us the tremendous perils that attend the discovery of fabulous wealth. Past friendships are forgotten, emotions like love and tenderness give way to lust for power and brutality of the worst kind; man in short, becomes a very beast. In fact, the baleful influence of the yellow metal casts a miasma over everyone, resulting, inevitably in the grimmest drama.

Directed by S. Sylvan Simon with an eye to providing the maximum of thrills, "Lust For Gold" is effective factual drama, while the authenticity of the events is guaranteed by the more than adequate production values.

Wayne Morris and Janis Paige in "The House Across The Street."

SHALL STILL SERVE CONGRESS

Jodhpur Ex-Premier's Statement

(From Our Correspondent).

JODHPUR, Jan. 19.—Criminal case against the workers should not upset anybody and the Congress should be strengthened more than before, said Mr. Jainarayan Vyas, ex-Premier of Jodhpur addressing a mammoth meeting attended by several thousand people here last night.

He said interested parties were putting various interpretations on the appointment of Adityendraji as acting President. Whatever action he has taken, Mr. Vyas said, had been in consultation with the Provincial Congress Executive. He said he had not resigned and added that he would do all he can for the Congress.

Mr. Manikyalal Verma, ex-Premier of Rajasthan, who also addressed the gathering said that no power on earth can kill the long and meritorius public services rendered by Mr. Vyas. Mr. Verma's speech was interrupted many times by shouts of 'Long Live Vyas'.

PLEA TO LOWEI GUR PRICES

Sugar Mills Facing Cane Shortage

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19. The Co mittee, Indian Sugar Mills Asso tion, Calcutta, has addressed t Hon'ble Food Minister on the seri situation that has arisen as a res of continuance of high gur a khandsari sugar prices with the res that large quantities of cane being diverted to production of g and khandsari even from facto areas depriving sugar factories adequate cane supplies.

When the Industry's representati met the Hon'ble Food Minister a the Deputy Prime Minister duri December last and assured them endeavour their very best to increa sugar production to 11 lakh to they had made it clear that t achievement of above producti target was conditional mainly on Gi ernment's ability to check diversi of cane to gur and khandsari.

Government had then assured th suitable steps would be taken in t behalf. Factories also started cru ing earlier this season notwithstan ing the unripe condition of cane a lower sugar recovery which ma crushing highly uneconomical.

PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS FIRST

Prof. Curie On March Of Science

BOMBAY, Thursday Speaking at a reception in h honour, Prof Joliot-Curie, emine French scientist and President of t World Committee of Partisans Peace and President of the Wo Scientific workers, said that it was p possible to advance science for the pu rit of the people if one followed policy of armed warfare.

The reception was arranged by t Committee for the defence of Pea at the Kamga, Maidan.

He added that the marvellous app cations of science could not becom realities unless there was peace b tween nations. The movement for pea he emphasised was, therefore, insep rable from that for the liberation mankind.

The scientists and technicians d not form themselves into a sm group of select people isolated fro practical affairs. They formed an i tegral part of the great community workers which were fighting for t building of a better world. To achie this end, Prof Curie opined th should work with the democratic o ganisations of workers and peasant

"In countries like yours, he sa "where the sun shines intensely mo of the year round, you must atta the problem of transforming such e ergy into electric energy." In Pran he said it would be sufficient to ere twenty power stations for the produ tion of atomic energy of about t lakhs kilowatts to double the electr power and the marvel of it was th one wagon load of combustible uraniu per year would be sufficient to ke going all these centres.

Splendid Equine Drama At Eros

Set amid the spacious surroundings of the West, Albert S. Rogell's "Northwest Stampede" is a story of ranchers rodeos, and, most of all, of horses.

Ranch owner James Craig carries on a mild fued with his attractive foreman Joan Leslie, who, besides being a crack shot with a gun, is a fine horsewoman as well; in fact she almost gets away with the honours at the rodeo.

To add to the confusion, there is a rogue stallion which makes a habit of enticing away the ranch's best mares, and the hunt for the stallion and its final capture makes for plenty of excitement.

James Craig gives a virile and competent performance as the rough-rider who meets a worthy challenger in the untamed white stallion. Joan Leslie is very effective as the girl who knows all about horseflesh, Jack Oakie contributes his inimitable buffoonery as Craig's friend. One of the most thrilling episodes in the film depicts a terrific battle between the stallion and a pack of wolves. Animal lovers and those who like the West will be more than satisfied with the picture.

FIFTH WEEK FOR THE THREE MUSKETEERS

Running in its fifth week, and proving tremendously successful with all types of audiences, MGM's lively adaptation of Dumas' classic "The Three Musketeeers" is light entertainment that provides plenty of laughs, plenty of thrills, and a good deal of spectacular swordsmanship.

Gene Kelly's D'Artagnan is built on purely farcical lines. Buffon, gallant, lover and swordsman in turn, Kelly takes every part in his stride and makes it his own. Lana Turner plays the villain of the piece, while Van Heflin and Vincent Price are others in the star-studded cast.

The film is also having a tremendous popularity in Calcutta and Madras, being shown for the fifth and second weeks at these centres.

WARNER MYSTERY DRAMA AT STRAND

The current attraction at the Strand is the well-knit mystery "The House Across The Street." Husky Wayne Morris has the part of the racket-busting editor of a paper who asks no quarter and gives none in return.

When he is hot on the trail of a suspect in a murder case, the story is suppressed by the owner of the paper, and Morris is relegated to the position of official adviser to the lonely hearts. This come-down in life proves a blessing in disguise, however, for through the contacts he makes, Wayne at last stumbles on the solution of the tangle, but not before he has almost got killed for his pains.

The film is a fairly good example of the "whodunit" class of picture, although the development of the plot is bound to strike one as somewhat naive. Morris is helped in his sleuthing by Janis Paige, a fellow-worker on the paper. Lovely Barbara Bates is effective as a gangster's "moll", while Bruce Bennet, apart from looking somewhat sinister, makes a very poor racketeer. Former Broadway dancer James Mitchell has a straight dramatic role as the gang leader's right hand.

TELEVISION DANCER COLLAPSES

LONDON—Violette Schmidt, 22-year-old Paris dancer, collapsed during her turn in a British television show.

Viewers saw her fall and then saw a studio manager run to pick her up. The camera for a few moments gave viewers a close-up of her on the floor and then switched to the audiences and the orchestra. Then the next turn went on and later the Master of Ceremonies announced that viewers would be glad to know that Miss Schmidt was now quite well again.

Behind the stage, the Parisian dancer explained that she had flown from Paris with a cold, and that and the heat of the studio had proved too much for her.

RICE ACREAGE

SIMLA, Jan. 19, (P. T. I.) The total area under rice, according to second official forecast, is estimated at 4,000,000 acres as against 3,92,800 acres estimated in the first forecast.

The increase is due to Grow More Food campaign. The condition of the crop is stated to be 96 per cent of the normal.

DECLARE JAN. 26 A HOLIDAY

Railwaymen's Plea

BOMBAY, Wednesday: Mr. Peter Alvares, Assistant Secretary, All-India Railwaymen's Federation and President of the G. I. P. Railway Mazdoor Panchayat, has issued the following statement:

"The Government of India have appealed to all employers in India to declare 26th and 27th January as paid holiday's for their employees. In the light of the appeal it is not understood how the Ministry of Railways have refused to declare 27th January as paid holiday for its own employees.

"On the one hand Government appeals for a concession to other employers but denies the same to its own."

R-DAY PROGRAMMES IN WARDS

BOMAY: Thursday: Programmes in connection with the Republic Day celebrations have been chalked out by District and Taluka Congress Committees in accordance with the directive issued by the Gen. Secretaries of the B.P. C. C.

The 'C' Ward Dist. Congress Committee have arranged a meeting at North Brook Gardens on Thursday, January 26 at 9 a.m. over which Hon'ble Home Minister will preside.

The 'D' Ward Dist. Congress Committee will usher in the birth of the Indian Republic with a Flag Salutation function at mid-night on January 25 at Chaupatty just near the Lokmanya Tilak Statue. The Hon'ble Shri Naik-Nimbalkar and Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta are expected to attend this function.

R. DAY IN POONA

POONA, Jan. 19 (PTI): Bonfires will be lighted on historic forts of Shiveneri, Sinhgarh and others round Poona on the night of January 26, to mark the inauguration of the Indian Republic.

Other highlights of the celebrations to be held on the day, decided at a meeting of prominent citizens of Poona last night, include a parade on the race course of troops, police, home guards and national cadet corps, 'prabhat pheries' and a route march.

The Nagarik Sanghatana Samiti, a womens' organisation, is arranging to send on behalf of the citizens of Poona a set of embroidered trillion curtains of pure khadi to all the heads of the central and provincial Governments in celebration of the day. The articles have been prepared by the refugee women in the Pimpri camp at Poona. The Secretary of the organisation has appealed to the Poona public to help the organisation to meet the expenses.

Music On R-Day

BOMBAY, Thursday: On a representation made by the General Secretaries of the B.P.C.C., the Government of Bombay have relaxed restrictions on the use of loudspeakers and playing of music on January 26 and 27. Playing of music and use of loudspeakers will be allowed upto 2 a.m. on both these days.

Postal Holiday

Thursday, the 26th January, 1950 will be a Post and Telegraphs Holiday on account of 'Republic Day.'

All the Departments of the Bombay G.P.O. and T.S.Os including Telegraphs branches of the Combined offices will observe on the above day, the same working hours as on Sundays.

LEARN TO DO AWAY WITH GOVERNMENT HELP

Bombay Governor's Advice To Madras Villagers

MADRAS, Jan. 19, (PTI).

RAJA Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay who is in Madras on a three-day "social visit" to day told the residents of Kakalur village, near here, that they should learn to help themselves more and more in the various activities of their life.

Raja Maharaj Singh, accompanied by the Maharaja of Bhavnagar, Governor of Madras this morning motored 25 miles to Kakalur, one of the 52 villages of the Trivellore Firka, where the Provincial Government's scheme of intensive rural development is in operation.

The scheme for the implementation of which Rs. 1,00,00,000 has been set apart by the Government is now being worked in over 2,000 villages. It will be extended to over 3,000 villages by the end of this year.

The object of the scheme is "to organise the villages for a happier, more prosperous and fuller life in which the individual villager will have the opportunity to develop, both as an individual and as a unit of a well-integrated society."

HELP YOURSELVES

Addressing the villagers in a specially erected 'pandal', Raja Maharaj Singh complementer them on the very good work they were doing. The wide clean streets, good drinking water facilities and the cottage industries in the village all organised by the officers of the various Government departments had impressed him greatly, he said.

The Governor added: "Grateful as I am, to the officers who have assisted you in the work you are doing, I want you more and more to help yourselves. You can help yourselves in getting good seeds, in constructing compost pits and forming more co-operative societies for your mutual benefit", Raja Maharaj Singh said.

Raja Maharaj Singh said Government would help villagers as much as the townspeople who were now undergoing many difficulties.

He said the Bombay Government had spent Rs. 9,00,00,000 this year on education and he was glad to learn that an equally large amount was spent by the Madras Government also. He said the people in the villages—who were "the people of India"—formed 80 per cent and as such Government were bound to help them in all ways.

The Governor was sorry at the failure of monsoon in the south. They in Bombay had a very good monsoon this year also like last year. He held the reasons for the failure of monsoon were "inscrutable" and asked the villagers not to be discouraged on that account. "Help yourself, and, by the grace of god, things will not be as bad as they seem", he said.

Additional Holiday For Railway Workshops

BOMBAY, Wednesday.—Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of State of Railways and Transport, Government of India, has granted an additional workshop holiday for railway workshop employees on January 27 along with the declared holiday on January 26.

BRAIN SURGERY CAN CHANGE MIND

LONDON, (By Air).

Surgeons can give a man a new personality by performing a delicate brain operation. Already they can cure schizophrenia—the "split personality" pleaded by many killers. One day they may be able to reform criminals in the operating theatre.

Dr. Wylie McKissock, a Harley Street specialist, who has carried out many brain operations, said: "We cannot claim to change a man's morals or his propensity to crime by a simple operation, but brain surgery is rapidly approaching that stage.

"It is possible to alter the personality of a man by brain surgery and to know exactly what alteration the operation will make. The close study of schizophrenia enables us to tackle a case of this kind in the operating theatre and to be quite certain that we can cure it with surgery. Before the man has recovered from the operation we can tell exactly what kind of personality he will have. We cannot claim to alter the moral outlook of a person by an operation. It is too early to say that we can take a criminal type into the operating theatre and return him as a reformed character.

"In certain cases, where criminal tendencies are the result of a brain 'error', an operation could be expected to succeed."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19. (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Keith Kesteven, Head of the Food and Agriculture Organisation's Animal Industry Branch, leaves by air today for Afghanistan to help organise against an outbreak of rinderpest, dreaded cattle disease.

Newly-Wed Bride Decamps With All!

AGRA, Jan. 19 (UPI): How a refugee young man has been cheated and deprived of jewellery and ornaments worth Rupees six thousands by a girl, has been reported her.

The young man, it is stated was approached by an old lady for marriage with her daughter. The marriage was duly solemnised and after seven days, on coming from his office he found the bride with all the belongings missing.

The matter was reported to the police, who directed him to go to Delhi, where he learnt that the girl had already obtained a passport for South Africa.

Britain May Not Return Famous Indian Marbles

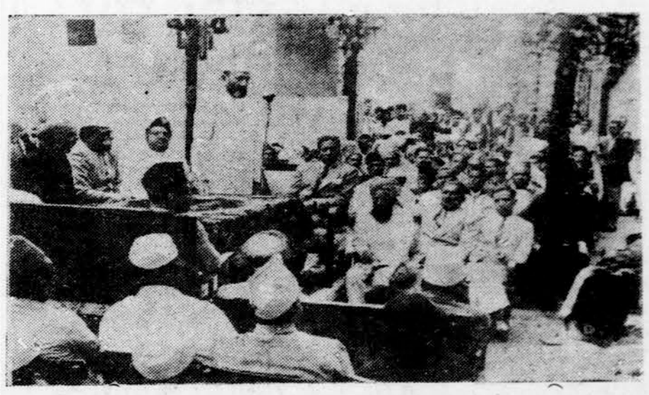
LONDON, Jan. 19. (UPI): Famous Indian marbles depicting life in India —considered for their artistic beauty as equal to the famous Greacian frescoes known as Elgin marbles—has now been returned to the British Museum after long storage in underground tunnels since the beginning of last war.

The marbles acquired by the British many years ago, are now being claimed by India Government, according to press report here.

Britain it is believed has no intention of returning them. They are being placed in the entrance hall of the British Museum.

City Courts To Try Suits Up To Rs. 25,000

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The Government of Bombay has invested, with effect from January 20, 1950, the City Court with jurisdiction to receive, try and dispose of all suits and other proceedings of a civil nature, not exceeding Rs. 25,000 in value, and arising within Greater Bombay, subject, however, to the exceptions specified in section 3 of the Bombay City Civil Court Act, 1948.



A public meeting was held on Thursday at Beg Mohammad Baug to congratulate Mr. M. Y. Nurie on his election to Parliament. Picture shows Mr. Mirza Haider Beg addressing the gathering.

ALLOCATE INCOME-TAX ON POPULATION BASIS

Madras Wants 60 % Of Pool

MADRAS, Jan. 19, (PTI).

THE Madras Government has presented a memorandum to Sir Chintaman Deshmukh, who has been appointed to give an award on the income-tax share of the Provinces, urging that the Central Government should set apart 60 per cent from the divisible pool for distribution to Provinces instead of 50 per cent as at present the P.T.I. learnt here today.

They have also urged that the allocation should be based on the population basis, and not on "collection basis" as advocated by Bengal and Bombay.

The Madras financial authorities, it is learnt, have cited the opinion of Sir Otto Niemeyer that the collection basis was "unsound" and "very unfair", as the volume of trade in big cities like Bombay and Calcutta was contributed by other Provinces also.

Income-tax being a Central source of revenue, its allocation to Provinces should bear relation to the assistance required by the Provinces for their industrial development and for raising the per capita income and standard of living of the people. In the matter of allocation of income-tax revenue, therefore, population basis alone should be regarded as real and equitable.

SPECIAL AID

It is learnt the Madras Government have also suggested that a small portion of the divisible pool, about three per cent, may be reserved for making additional allotments to Provinces like Orissa and Assam which may stand in need of special aid from the Government of India.

Under the Otto Niemeyer's award, Madras Province was getting 15 per cent of the divisible pool. After partition, Madras share has been increased to 18 per cent, although, in effect, this has not increased the actual monetary share. At present, the annual income-tax share of the Province is about Rs. 7,50,00,000.

Jet Planes To Race Across World In 1953

LONDON—Some of the world's fastest jet planes and newest airliners will race 14,000 miles across the world from Britain to New Zealand in 1953—the longest international air contest ever planned.

Experts are already predicting that they will do the trip in less than 30 hours flying time—compared with the present record of just under 60 hours set up by the Royal Air Force Lancaster "Argies" on an England-Wellington flight in 1946.

The race is being organised with the backing of the New Zealand Government to coincide with an international exhibition at Christ Church, New Zealand, between October 1953 and April 1954.

Speed and handicap sections are being provided to suit most types of aircraft and entries have already been promised by British firms and airlines.

Other countries have shown immediate interest in the idea and Royal Dutch Airlines, which took a prominent part in the Britain-Australia air race of 1934 marking the centenary of Melbourne, are expected to compete again in 1953.

Prize money of £30,000 sterling is being offered to attract the world's largest flying concerns and best pilots to join in the race.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19, (U. P. I.) The Government of India will be represented by Dr. N. Das, Director-General, Resettlement and Employment, at the I.L.O. Preparatory Technical Tripartite Conference on vocational training of adults, which will be held at Geneva from January 23 to February 3 next. The conference will consider draft international regulations embodying principles and methods for the successful operation of training schemes for adult workers including the disabled.

In view of the present financial stringency and foreign exchange difficulties, it has not been possible to send employers' and workers' delegates to the above conference, says a press communique issued by the Ministry of Labour Government of India.

Amendment To Drugs Control Order Schedule

BOMBAY, Thursday.—The Gover ment of Bombay has issued an ord amending further the Schedule to t Bombay Drugs Control Order, 19 Copies of the order, which has be published in Part I of the Bomb Government Gazette, Extra-ordinar of January 19, 1950, can be obtain from the Bombay Book Depot, Cler Road, Bombay.

LONDON, Jan. 18. (PTI-Reuter Britain, the United States and Fran tonight delivered a joint note to t Soviet Union on the Austrian trea of independence, it was learned the foreign office here tonight.

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NEW STATURE OF ASIAN WOMEN

A Delegate's Tribute

LONDON, Jan. 18. (PTI-Reuter): Mrs. Marian Ramelson, British Fraternal Delegate to the recent Peking Conference of Women of Asia, said here today that the most outstanding aspect of the conference was the great "political and human stature of the Asian women delegates".

Mrs. Ramelson, who returned to London last night after a month in Communist China, told a meeting that there was at the conference an underlying unity for achieving world peace, raising living standards of the world's masses, and the desire to ensure "secure conditions for children".

Mrs. Ramelson hoped that the appeal made by the Conference for the ending of "colonial wars and imperialism" and for the securing of peace would be recognised in the West.

After speaking on the economic and social problems that faced Communist China, she said there was the predominant feeling that "for the first time in five thousand years China is free and that there is no power on earth that can put it back on old ways".

Mrs. Ramelson said that her visits to Harbin, Mukden, Nanking, Shanghai and other places in Communist China had convinced her of the "great movement for national and economic independence and peace" that was going on there

CATTLE DISEASE IN AFGHANISTAN

FAO Official To Help

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19. (PTI): Dr. Keith Kesteven, Head of the Food and Agriculture Organisation's Animal Industry Branch, leaves by air today for Afghanistan to help organise against an outbreak or rinderpest, dreaded cattle disease.

He has arranged to pick up goat and rabbit rinderpest virus at Cairo and is due to reach Afghanistan on Monday morning.

News of the outbreak came from the Afghanistan Embassy in Washington, which asked for all possible help in the developing emergency.

The virus for vaccine production has also been sent to Turkey and Iraq to meet any emergency in those neighbouring countries.

Minorities Tortured In East Bengal?

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18. (UPI): Reports of systematic tortures by the Pakistani police and ansars on the minorities, mainly Garos and Hajangs in Susang and Kalmakanda thanas in Mymensingh district in Eastern Pakistan, on the plea of checking Communist activities, have been received here.

Already more than 100 cases have been instituted against the Hajangs on charges of commiting dacoities, arson, murders, looting, etc., and among the accused, there are a large number of women also.

The Hajangs and Garos are on the border of East Pakistan covering an area of about 70 miles.

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INDIAN RAIL PROPERTIES REMOVED TO E. BENGAL

Pakistani Officials Arrested On Conspiracy Charge

COOCH BEHAR, Jan. 19. (UPI):—Many of the railway staff of Halidibrai-Siliguri broad gauge section in the Indian Union now managed by Pakistan, are reported to have escaped to the neighbouring East Pakistan area with railway property.

According to a report received here about a dozen responsible Pakistani railway officials have been arrested at Siliguri on charges of conspiracy.

It is stated that these railwaymen succeeded in removing many wagons and other railway property to Parbatipur in East Pakistan.

From Halidibari mela ground, in Cooch Behar district, nearly 150 ploughing bullocks have been transported to East Pakistan, it is further reported.

FRESH ELECTION IN W. PUNJAB

Pak Consembly Passes Bill

KARACHI Jan. 18, (PTI-Reuter): The Constituent Assembly of Pakistan adjourned today after passing Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan's bill providing for fresh elections in the Punjab on the basis of adult franchise.

By amending the Government of India Act 1935, the bill aims at increasing the number of seats in the Provincial Assembly allotting one seat to every 100,000 of population.

The Assembly also passed a resolution moved by Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan empowering it to co-opt members to fill vacancies from a province whose Legislative Assembly was not in existence, these co-opted members, the resolution stated, would cease to be members as soon as the Legislative Assembly came into being in the province

Before it adjourned, the Assembly approved its budget expenditure for the year 1950-51 amounting to Rs. 83,37,000.

SULEIMANKI CANAL DISPUTE

Pakistan Statement Is Without Foundation

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18 (UPI): The External Affairs Ministry is "surprised" at the statement reported to have been made by the Pakistan Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Mahmud Hussain in the Pakistan Parliament to the effect that India and Pakistan had agreed to refer the dispute over the Suleimanki Canal Headworks to a tribunal presided over by the Swedish Judge, Lord Justice Bagge. The statement made, it is said, was "without any foundation."

The facts are that a suggestion for referring the dispute to the Bagge Tribunal was made by Pakistan on November 20 last. The Government of India replied on December 2 saying that this particular dispute along with the allied disputes regarding the Ferozepore Canal should first be considered at an Inter-Dominion Conference with a view to reaching an amicable settlement. Pakistan repeated the suggestion in a letter received here by the end of December, and the Government of India are still considering the latest communication.

NO U.K.-U.S. RIFT ON CHINA ISSUE

Dr. Jessup's Statement In Hong Kong

HONG KONG, Jan. 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): No rift has occurred between the United States and Britain and other countries over recognition of Communist China, Dr. Philip Jessup, United States Ambassador-at-large told a press conference here today.

If different conclusions were reached on particular questions that did not impair "our basic friendship and co-operation," he said.

Asked to what extent the American people would support Britain in the event of Communist pressure on such colonies as Hong Kong, Dr. Jessup declined to comment.

He will resume his Far East tour tomorrow, leaving for Manila and next month will preside at a conference of United States Far Eastern officials in Bangkok.

U. S. Missionaries In China To Stay

NEW YORK, Jan. 18, (PTI-Reuter): American church workers now in China will stay and continue their work as long as they can, even if the State Department withdraws all its officials, it was announced yesterday.

Spokesmen for both Protestant and Catholic organisations said their leaders believed the missionaries' work must go on as long as there is any hope of schools, hospitals and churches being allowed to function.

Testing New Survival Suit In Arctic

LONDON, Jan. 18. (PTI-Reuter): British naval volunteers are to spend three to five days cast adrift on rafts in Arctic waters to test a new survival suit, which is designed to keep men alive at subnormal temperatures.

IFTIKHARUDDIN NOT RESIGNING

'Legally And Morally Justified'

KARACHI, Jan. 18. (PTI): Mian Iftikharuddin told a press conference here today that he would not resign his seat from the Pakistan Constituent Assembly following his expulsion from the Parliamentary Party of the Muslim League.

He added that what he said held true also of the other expelled member, Sardar Shaukat Hayat Khan, who was present at the conference.

Mian Iftikharuddin said that he would be both legally and morally justified in not resigning his seat from the assembly. "Legally I am not bound to resign, because the party which nominated me to the Constituent Assembly was dissolved in 1947—the All-India Muslim League", he said.

"Morally", he added, "it is for the other members of the parliamentary party to resign because it is they who have acted against the stand of the Muslim League and not we".

Mian Iftikharuddin maintained that he had spoken against the public safety act ordinance in the Constituent Assembly under the mandate of the Punjab Provincial Muslim League the Provincial League Council had passed a resolution opposing the safety ordinance, and the secretary of the League had asked the Punjab members in the Assembly to stand by that resolution.

Sardar Shaukat Hayat Khan also issued a statement on his expulsion at the press conference.

Canada Leaves It To The U. S.

ECONOMIC AID TO THE FAR EAST

OTTAWA, Jan. 19, (PTI-Reuter). Canada's contribution to blocking the Communist thrust in Asia is likely to consist of technical help for economic development and small dollar loans, the Canadian Press News Agency learned authoritatively last night.

This policy, still in the formative stages, is based on the supposition that the United States will take the lead in the attempt to check communism in the Far East.

Canada will probably place at the disposal of India, Pakistan and Ceylon and other Asatic countries a group of experts in irrigation, flood control and industrial development technique.

Facilities also may be established in Canada to help train Asiatics in organising such heavy industries as pulp and paper and steel mills

Any loans likely will be "token" in nature compared with economic help expected from the United States. Observers here, believe Americans are giving sharper attention to the Far East situation.

Out of this attention is expected to develop a policy of greater economic aid—a plan akin to the Marshall Aid Plan for European Recovery which ends in 1952.

GOVT. POLICY NOT CONTRAVENED

Defence Argument In Mamdot Trial

LAHORE, Jan. 18, (PTI-Reuter): The Mamdot Enquiry Tribunal today heard Mr. H S. Suhrawardy argue the defence case against the prosecution charge of wilful abuse by the respondent of his official position in obtaining the allotment and possession of Iqbalnagar Farm in the Montgomery District through Raja Hasan Akhtar, the then Deputy Commissioner of the District.

Today's entire hearing was devoted to the discussion of this charge which is fourth in numerical order on the charge sheet handed over to the Khan of Mamdot.

Arguing the point whether there was any rehabilitation policy of the Government whose contravention by the respondent was alleged by the prosecution, Defence Counsel drew the attention of the Court towards the F. C R.'s letter of 28, August 1947 stated to contain the policy of the West Punjab Government in regard to the rehabilitation of refugees on land.

LACK OF POLICY

Mr. Suhrawardy argued that the letter of 28th August 1947 could not be a policy letter because it was not based on any proper information regarding the real state of affairs prevailing at that time in the District. Moreover, he stated instructions in that letter were stupid and inexhaustive.

Chief Justice: You can assume that Government issued a policy letter on incorrect information of wrong data, you may call it a stupid policy but it would be a policy after all. Government can frame policy at the spur of moment and without taking anything into consideration. How is your point relevent?

Defence Counsel: My Lord, I want to establish that there was not contravention of policy and that there was no policy at all. If Iqbalnagar was at all allotted to the respondent as alleged by the prosecution it was done honestly in a good faith and in a bonafide manner without committing any abuse of official position.

NO RELIABLE EVIDENCE

Regarding the point that the respondent obtained the farm for his personal use and benefit, Defence Counsel stated that no evidence was led by the prosecution in this connection.

As regards possession of the farm Defence Counsel said, the prosecution evidence was wholly unreliable and extorted by police under threat, coercion and undue influence.

The arguments were still proceeding when the Court adjourned for the day.

NUFFIELD'S NEW DOLLAR EARNER

M.G. Midget With Many Dollar Earned

COWLEY, OXFORD, Jan. 18

The Nucield Organization today anounces the introduction of a new M.G. to be known as the M.G. Midget, Series, T.D., a two-seater sports car incorporating many suggestions requested from all over the world for the modernising of its predecessor, the famous T.C. type which has proved so popular in all markets, and a particularly valuable dollar earner in America and other hard currency countries.

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U. N. COMMISSION FACES DIFFICULT PROBLEM IN ERITREA

CAIRO— The Five-Power Commission, consisting of delegates from South Africa, Guatemala, Burma, Norway and Pakistan, which is to consult the people of Eritrean their wishes for their future and report back to the United Nation, is facing a difficult and complex task.

The two main political forces in the country are the Unionists, who want union with Ethiopia, and the Independents Bloc, which wants the establishment of an independent Eritrea.

There are also a number of minor groups.

The Unionist is the most powerful of the parties. Its main internal support comes from the Copts of the Central Plateau but it derives moral and, it is suspected, financial support from Ethiopia.

The Independence Bloc is supported by some 30,000 Italians still in the country. These are more hope for their future in an independent Eritrea than in an Eritrea united to Ethiopia.

Many of those who support this Bloc are said to be half-castes encouraged by Italian money.

An example of the reorientation of party policies and changing tactics which will make the work of the Five-Power Commission difficult is seen in the action of the Moslem League and the Liberal Progressive Party.

These at first advocated Trusteeship by Britain over Eritrea. But when they saw that the British government did not favour this solution, both changed their programmes.

Such changes, however, make the problem of ascertaining the wishes of the population very complex.

The shift or armed bands of brigades who engage inhold-ups, highway robbery, pillaging and murder, have recently taken part in acts of terrorism in which an Indian, several Italians and a Greek have been killed.

Reports received here from Asmara indicate that it has been suggested in some quarters there that these bands could be used as hired assassins or terrorists by persons with pro-Ethiopian leanings.

The population of Eritrea is varied. On the 8,000-ft high central inland plateau on which Asmara is built, the people are mainly Coptic. In this, as well as in racial and other respects, they are similar to the Tigrai across the frontier in Ethiopia.

In the Western provinces, the people are mainly Moslem and belong principally to the Bent Amer tribes of the neighbouring Sudan.

30,000 ITALIANS

In addition to the 30,000 Italians in the country, there are some 1,000 other Europeans from various countries.

The Italians left the mark of their colonisation on Eritrea in the shape of excellent roads and railways and the 50-mile overhead ropeway which was built to take supplies from the port of Massawa to Asmara in preparation for the military conquest of Ethiopia.

The British Government has suggested that the best solution of the problem might be to partition the country, giving the Western provinces to the Sudan and the remainder to Ethiopia which would then have its desired outlet to the sea. Whether the United Nations Commission will recommend adoption of this course or any one of several other possibilities remains to be seen.

The Commission is due to report on the wishes of the population by next June.

Racial Discrimination By Ethiopian Airlines

PAKISTAN MINISTER'S CHARGE

KARACHI, Jan. 19. (UPI):—Racial discrimination against Indians and Pakistanis by the Ethiopian airline was alleged here today by Mr. Hatim A. Alvi, Director of the State Bank of Pakistan, who recently made an extensive tour of Egypt and East Africa.

He said that he was charged a fare of 118 pound by the Ethopian airline for travelling from Nairobi to Karachi which is much more per mile than the rates of any air service in the world

He complained that there was a clear discrimination between the European and non-European passengers, mostly Pakistanis and Indians. At Aden the European passengers were taken in a separate car to a better hotel, while the non-European passengers were shoved into a rickety old bus and dumped into a cheap hotel The airline management put up the spacious excuse that the hotel where the European passengers were lodged was full to capacity, but private enquiries revealed that accommodation was available there When the non-European passengers remonstrated, they were then taken to the better hotel.

Aboard the aircraft, the European passengers were served meals in trays, while the non-European passengers were offered some "baked gram in little paper trays done up with hessian strings."

He expressed surprise how such an airline callously discriminating against European and non-European passengers was permitted to operate in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinet

SOVIET BOYCOTT SPREADING

More Walk-outs

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 19. (PTI-Reuter). Russia's boycott of United Nations bodies in protest against Chinese Nationalist membership was expected to spread today to informal atomic energy talks here and Trusteeship Council meeting in Geneva.

The "big six"—United States, Britain, France China, Russia and Canada—were due to resume private discussions on the possibility of reaching agreement on international control of atomic energy

Soviet Russia, since her delegate walked out of the Security Council last week in protest against the presence of Nationalist China's delegate, has boycotted committee after committee of the United Nations.

Her representatives have walked out of the Economic and Social Council Committee on Procedure, the Ad Hoc Committee on Statelessness and Related Problems, the Sub-Commission on Protection of Minorities and—last night—the Economic and Employment Commision.

A Soviet demand for withdrawal of Chinese Nationalist representatives was expected when the United Nations Trusteeship Council opened its sixth session at Geneva today.

The eighteen-item agenda was headed, it was understood, by the problem of a draft trusteeship agreement for Italy's ten-year administration of her former colony of Somaliland.

The Council will also examine annual reports from seven trust territories, including Tanganyika, the British and French administrations in the Cameroons, and British and French administrations in Togoland

A mission which has just completed an inspection tour of four trust territories in West Africa will also report to the Council

WESTERN ALLIES' NOTE TO MOSCOW

MOSCOW, January 18 (PTI-Reuter): British, French and American representatives here today delivered a joint note to M. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, about the Austrian Treaty Negotiations.

After seeing M. Gromyko the three Western envoys issued a joint statement. It said "the Ambassadors of France, the United Kingdom and the United States, in accordance with instructions from their governments, made a joint demarche today to the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. A. Gromyko, on the subject of the Austrian Treaty negotiations.

"The Foreign Minister, M. A. Vyshinsky, was unable to receive the three Ambassadors because of illness.

"It is anticipated that any further comment concerning this demarche will be made by the three Western Governments concerned at their capitals."

The note was delivered to the Kremlin by the three Ambassadors in Moscow, Sir David Kelly, Britain, Mr. Alan Kirk, United States and M. Yves Chatalngneau, France, and was received by, Andrei Gromyko, Russia's Deputy Foreign Minister.

M. Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister, is stated to be unwell.

No official statement on the contents of the note has yet been made in London, but it was understood that the three Western Powers have asked the Soviet Union about their willingness to complete a treaty of independence for Austria within a reasonable time.

NEW GOVERNOR OF SARAWAK

Anthony Foser Abell

LONDON, Jan. 18. (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Anthony Foser Abell has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Sarawak in succession to the late Mr. Duncan George Stewart, the colonial office announced tonight.

Mr. Stewart was assassinated last month at Sibu, Sarawak, while inspecting a guard of honour of school children. Two Malay youths have been sentenced to death for the murder.

Mr. Abell is 44. He was appointed to the colonial administrative service in Nigeria in 1929. At present he is Resident of the Oyo province. Nigeria.

The appointment means rapid promotion from the position of a relatively junior official at a salary of about £1,350 a year to that of Governor and Commander-in-Chief at a salary of £2,500 plus £750 duty allowance.

Mr. Abell is regarded as having great powers of personal leadership. He is not married.

Truman's Ambassador To Vatican Resigns

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Myron Taylor resigned today as President Trumans Special Ambassador to the Vatican. He is returning to private life.

AUTONOMY FOR THE SAAR

U.S. To Support French View

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19. (PTI-Reuter). The Secretary of State Mr. Dean Acheson said in a press conference yesterday that the United States, in the negotiations of a peace treaty for Germany, would support the French view that the Saar should have a certain degree of autonomy.

He denied the French position as being that the Saar should be detached from Germany and should be financially and economically integrated with France

He said the political future of the Saar should be determined by the peace treaty which concludes the war with Germany

On French plans for the leasing of the Saar mines for 50 years, he said that whatever was done would not prejudice a peace settlement, but added that France should not take any action which would make difficult the integration of Germany into Western Europe

CHINA TO INCREASE STEEL OUTPUT

New Regime's 1950 Plan

LONDON, Jan 19 (UPI): The 1950 plan to rehabilitate China's large steel industry has been worked out. Manchuria, where a great percentage of the country's heavy industry is located, has been given priority. A large number metallurgists and the technical personnel will be sent from other parts of China to Manchuria to help accomplish the task

In the past, China's iron and steel industry had a colonial character with few rolling mills, and a great portion of pig iron output was exported to imperialist countries. Concrete measures are now being taken to raise the capacity to smelt and produce steel.

Iraq-German Trade Negotiations

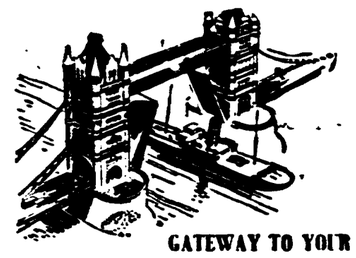
BAGHDAD—Iraq and Western Germany have exchanged notes on the question of restablishing trade and economic relations, severed during the early days of the Second World War.

A note from the Western German Government suggested sending a trade delegation to Iraq to negotiate a trade and economic agreement with Iraq.

INDONESIAN PALACE PAINTINGS

JAKARTA (BATAVIA)—Old oil paintings of former Governor-General of Indonesia gracing the white interior walls, of Rijswyck Palace, will be retained by the Netherlands Government and probably be returned to Holland, according to official announcement

The paintings which date back to the early 16th century, number 123. Some of them, it is believed, will be given by the Netherlands Government to the Indonesian National Museum.—PTI-Reuter.



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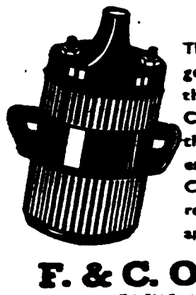

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EARLY WEAKNESS ATTRACTS COVERING IN STEELS

Mill Shares Rule Quiet

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

The local Share Bazar opened quiet and declined scattered liquidation but under renewed buying prices wiped off the opening losses and ruled very steady. It appears that owing to heavy carry over charges which the bulls had to pay, recently there had been heavy liquidation which was readily absorbed by short sellers. Thus the market developed irregular price movements but the general feeling remains bullish.

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1602/8 against yesterday's close at Rs. 1632/8 and declined at Rs. 1595 which was the lowest level for the day. Thereafter there was steady buying and short covering and Defds improved at Rs. 1630, Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 326 and after declining at Rs. 325 advanced at Rs. 331, Indian Irons were done at Rs. 32/10 and Bengal Steels were quoted at Rs. 23/4.

Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1090 and improved at Rs. 1102, Kohinoors opened at Rs. 305 and advanced at Rs. 308, Nagpurs opened at Rs. 255 and improved at Rs. 258 while Svadeshi Mfll shares were quoted at Rs. 280, Scindia shares were done at Rs. 13/10.

Tomorrow being fortnightly settlements, Shorts were covering and the market was steady. Tata Steel Defds. after improving at yesterday's close at Rs. 1,632-8 steadied at Rs. 1,627 while Ordinary Shares were done at Rs. 332, Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1,107. In view of coming holidays next week the market is likely to be narrow with irregularity.

Towards the close there was some liquidation and Tata Steel Defds. quietened at Rs. 1,617-8 and Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 329, Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1,100 Closing tone was barely steady.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	1098	12
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	308	0
Svadeshi Mills (12-4)	278	8
Central India Mills (6)	257	0
Simplex Mills (9-8) XD	206	8
New Great Eastern (2)	165	0
Ele Bore	121	4
Gokak Mills (12)	284	0
Century Spinning (15)	242	8
Swan Mills (20)	326	0
Indian Bleaching (6)	146	4
Pinlay Mills (15)	278	0
Morarji Goculdas (S)	435	0
Edward Sassoon (30)	238	12
Mayer (12)	105	0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2	13
India United Ord (0-12-0)	12	5
India United Defd. (0-12-0)	1	14 6
Madhusudan (15)	175	0
Podar (S)	140	0
Khatau Makanji (5)	190	0
Swadeshi Coupon	70	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	328	0
Tata Steel Defd (64-13)	1617	8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref.	138	8
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (S)	159	8
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8) XD	376	4
Belapur Sugar (9)	225	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	31	0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13	10
Premier Construction	95	8
Tata Chemical	11	8
Tata Oil (2)	53	0
Indian Iron (As. 12)	32	7
Bengal Steel (0-12)	23	2
Bengal Indian Corp (9-9)	9	7
Indian Copper	2	8
Wimco	213	12
Alcock	281	4
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Power (25)	1542	8
Tata Hydro (3)	155	0
Andhra Valley (25)	1450	0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS

Elphinstone Mills (5)	62	0
Phoenix (50)	150	0
Indian Mfg.	2920	0
Kurla X D	118	12
Colaba (12	117	8
New City (11)	186	4
Minerva (12)	138	12
Bradbury (12)	520	0
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5	0
Bharat Mills (2)	32	12
Mysore (4)	183	12
Madhavji	14	8
Model Mills (12-8)	175	0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	85	0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	227	8
Western India (40)	392	
Standard (15)	227	
Shrinivas Mills (S)	167	8
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	1	
Hindusta. Mills (40)	4000	
Tata Mills (2-4)	59	0
Ahmedabad Advance (9)	240	
New Ahmedabad	195	
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	32	
New Union Mills (0-8)	15	14
Madhusudan S (2-8)	35	
Shinivas Mills (S)	171	
Raja Bahadur (4)	62	0
Berar Mills	250	0
Victoria Mills	225	0
ELECTRIC (CASH)		
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	130	0
Ahmedabad New	77	4
Surat Electric	130	0
Karachi Electric (2)	136	14
Broach (0-5)	6	12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	2
Amalgamated (0-2)	11	2
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26	
Poona Electricity Supply (S)	140	10
Bombay Suburban (3)	152	8
Bombay Suburban New	85	0
BANK SHARES		
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1790	0
Imperial Bank P. (6-12)	442	8
Central Bank (1-8)	83	8
Central Bank New (1-8)	84	8
Bank of India (4)	178	8
Union (0-3)	7	4
Baroda (2-8)	120	0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	37	8
United Commercial (1-8)	50	0
Jaipur Bank (1-5)	35	
Hindustan Commercial	17	
Mysore Bank (8)	365	0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	94	0
INSURANCE SHARES		
Oriental (125)	4475	0
Empire (10)	571	4
New India (1-7)	61	0
Jupiter (0-12)	13	0
Vulcan (0-10)	12	8
Indian Mercantile (2)	36	0
Universal (0-4)	11	4
B I G (1)	14	12
Industrial and Prudential	26	
Neptune	2	0
New Great	25	0
All India General	12	12

RAILWAY SHARES

C.P. (1-14) XD	113	8

MISCELLANEOUS SHARES

Steamer (103)	247	8
Bombay Burma New (5) XD	125	0
Burma Petrol	1	5 3
Mackenzie (6)	90	0
Port Canning (3)	60	8
Kemp and Co. (30)	362	8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125	
Industrial Invest Trust (5-12)	87	0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	43	0
Mysore Iron	13	
Dena Trust (0-12)	17	0
Alembic (15)	150	0
Supreme Industries	72	8
Bombay Uganda	67	
Bombay Motor Cycle	28	
Indian Cement (1937)	171	
Walchand Nagar Industries (B. S.)	135	0
United Motor	28	0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880	
Hydare Construction	19	10
Mahmadi Steam	96	0
Sardar Carbonic X.D.	700	
Harvey Press	310	0
Gujarat Motor	28	0
Estrella Batteries	30	8
Manmad Press	120	0
National Rayon	54	0

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel 1st (6)	300	0
Andhra Valley (7)	1241	0
Tata Power (7-8)	1317	8
Hydro Electric (7)	128	12
Bombay Steamer (6)	220	
Central India (5)	655	0
Swedeshi Mills	130	0
Vishnu Mills (7)	650	0
Lakshmi Mills	270	0
New Great Mills (5-8)	220	
Podar Mills (4)	105	10
Shrinivas Mills	98	0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	106	4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	318	0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	130	0
Pre Construction First	100	8
Pre Construction 2nd Pref.	98	0
Amalgamated	115	0
Habib	72	0
Tata Chemical	128	12
Walchandnagar	130	
Jupiter	13	4
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	102	8
Mackenzie (1st)	85	0
Mackenzie (2)	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	127	8
Mysore Mill	80	0
Standard	99	0
Madhusudan	72	0
Khatau	97	8
Morarji	94	8
National Rayon	73	8

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952	103	8
Gula Kajamsingh	8	9
Rubber Planting	17	0
Bombay Steamer	97	9
Indian Hume Pipe	101	8
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchandnagar	105	9

OUTSIDE SHARES

Burma Corporation	2	9
New Victoria	2	4
New Victoria 2 (Pref)	4	4
Palton (8)	118	0
Gold Mohor	302	8
New Kaiser Hind	325	0
Sajjan Mills X.D.	150	0
Osmanshahi (16)	250	0
Azamshahi	280	0
Air India Tata	65	0
Air Services	4	8
Hind Motors	5	2
Indian Steam	7	15

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY, January 19.

Tata Ordinary 328 Tata Deferred 1617-8 Indian Iron 32-7 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 23-2 Bombay Dyeing 1098-12 Central India 257-8 Gokak 284-6 Kohinoor 308-12 Simplex 206-8 Swadeshi 278-12 Tata Power 1542-8 Associated Cement 159-14 Belapur 225 Bombay Burma (Old) 376-4 Scindia 13-10 Central Bank 83-8 New India 61 Tata 2nd Pref. 138-8.

Art Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, January 19.

120 Ready Japan	5	5	0
150 Ready Japan	4	6	6
120 Ready Italy	4	13	6
150 Ready Italy	4	6	0
150 D. Box January	868	0	0
150 D. Box February	878	0	0

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

The local bullion market was firm today on aggressive buying influenced by firm Calcutta advices where silver is cornered by professional operators. This news was accompanied by active buying and silver prices soured to a new high level but later reacted on profittaking. Gold section was also steady but there was heavy selling of Sovereigns which are supposed to be hoarded by some individuals.

Maha delivery silver opened today at Rs. 179-8 and advanced at Rs. 179-12 but reacted at Rs. 179-4. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 178-14. Maha delivery gold opened at Rs. 114-6 and after declining at Rs. 114-2 steadied at Rs. 114-4. Ready gold was offered at Rs. 114-8 and Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 74-8.

Later on there was active buying and the market closed as under:—

Ready Silver	179	14	0
Maha delivery	180	6	0
Ready Gold	114	10	0
Maha delivery	114	8	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

The local produce market was again firm today with active buying. There was increased activity in groundnut oil and prices moved up. Linseed and Castorseeds were steady. Quotations were as under:—

	Rs., as.	ps.
GROUNDNUTS—		
Quality Receipts	39 10	0
Bold Ready	38 10	0
Oil Bombay Mills	22 0	0
Oil Up-country Mills	21 6	0
Oil January	21 6	0
Oil February	21 14	6
LINSEED—		
Indore	36 0	0
Bold	35 14	0
Satna	34 8	0
February-March	34 8	0
March-April	34 0	0
April-May	33 8	0
Oil	21 0	0
CASTORSEED—		
January Delivery	24 14	0
Ready	24 8	0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98	14	0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100	5	0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99	14	0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96	14	0
2 1/2 per cent 1960	99	10	0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	2	0
2 3/4 per cent 1973	95	14	0
3 per cent Con	97	10	0
3 per cent 1951-54	101	7	0
3 per cent 1952-55	101	12	0
3 per cent 1957	101	12	0
3 per cent 1959-61	101	3	0
3 per cent 1963-65	100	5	0
3 per cent 1966-68	100	3	0
3 per cent 1970-75	100	1	0
2 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104	6	0
3 1/2 per cent 1960-70	110	4	0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	101	6	0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-60	110	6	0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-66	113	0	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
3 per cent Bombay 1962	99	4	0
2 3/4 per cent C. P. 1961	97	1	0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97	1	0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	8	4
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	4	0
3 per cent Punjab 1952	99	0	0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	6	0
3 per cent C P. 1952	100	6	0
3 per cent U. P. 1952	100	6	0
3 per cent N.W.F. 1952	98	2	0
3 per cent U P. 1961-68	99	12	0
3 1/4 per cent Municipal 1977	99	0	0
4 per cent B.P.T. long dated	109	12	0
4 per cent Bombay Muni.	109	8	0
5 p.c. Bombay Muni. 1959	114	0	0
6 per cent Bom. Municipality 1954	113	8	0
6 per cent K. P. T. 1956	113	12	0

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, January 19.

The following are today's quotations:—

SECURITIES: 3 per cent Government of India Paper 97/10 3 per cent Government of India 1970/75 100 3 per cent Government of India 1953/55 101/12 3 per cent Government of Madras 1960 100/4.

BANKS: Travancore 14/4.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17 Mysore 42 Travancore 7/8.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 2 Chembra 4/14 Cochin Malabar 4/14 Devashola 14 Kaiasa 12 Nelliampathy 12 Ouchterlony 8/3 Periakaramalai 50 Pullangode 1/4 Thirumbadi 2 T R and T C. 5/12 Waterfall 2/14.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 153 Cambodia 12, Coimbatore cum 134 Coimbatore pioor 118/8 Lakshmi 67/8 Madura 39/10 Mettur 327 Mysore Spun 6 Radhakrishna 157 Rajalakshmi 68/8 Ranga Vilas 52 Trav Rayons 4/10 Trichinopoly 10.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 70 F A C T 4/11 India Cement 17/12 Mettur Chem 6/1 Mysore Chem Fert 9 Mysore Paper 11.

YARN MARKET MOVES WITHIN NARROW RANGE

BOMBAY, Jan. 18, (PTI):— Yarn prices moved within a very narrow range last week though sentiment was brighter than during several previous weeks. Rayon yarns prices however fluctuated narrowly, probably due to continued uncertainty and various rumours in connection with grant of import licences by the Government of India for the first half of 1950.

INDIAN YARNS

Enquiries from almost all important consuming centres of the country increased during the week, but buyers found it difficult to secure their requirements at controlled prices. In some cases, especially course counts up to and including 20s, some permiums are reported to have been paid by buyers. Some lots of medium and fine count yarns are still available at controlled prices. News from southern India mills is rather disquieting, since, due to limited supply of electricity and also cotton, it is likely that they will have to curtail production. With regard to mills in other parts of the country, supply of cotton is causing some anxiety. Enquiries for exports rather slackened both for yarns and cloth, but mills generally maintained present prices.

FOREIGN YARNS

Southern Indian markets report further definite improvement in prices to the extent of 2 to 3 annas with a firm undertone.

ART SILK YARNS

Prices on the exchange fluctuated narrowly and, although the close was distinctly better, the future course remains very uncertain. Some improvement was made by art silk yarns with a slightly better undertone. At the same time, owing to continued scarcity of supplies., mills were compelled to pay much higher prices to fill their requirements in ready goods, especially superior qualities. It is feared that if further import licences are not granted both the trade and the consumer will suffer resulting in curtailment of production for want of sufficient supplies. The future trend of the market remains uncertain.

Imperial Bank Of India

The following is the weekly Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 13th January:

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,20,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	252,16,82,000
Acceptances for Constituents	69,000
Sundries	1,54,45,000
Total	265,64,46,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Investments	
Government Securities	100,06,80,000
Other Authorised Investments	10,46,17,000
ADVANCES:	
Loans	20,56,31,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	67,40,51,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	6,17,09,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra	69,000
Dead Stock	1,58,65,006
Sundries	1,36,16,000
CASH:	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	43,40,36,000
Balances with other Banks	14,59,72,000
Total	265,64,46,000

N. Y. SILVER SALES

A leading buyer cut back purchases temporarily reflecting technical position and the trade's purchases of additional quantities from London at a small discount under the New York market. The surpluses being offered here are meanwhile absorbed by banco Mexico. The turnover approximated 50,000 ounces at unchanged price.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, January 18.

London Silver Spot and Forward 64 pence.

Gold Bar Fine per ounce £12/8.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

MILLS

Apollo 2-13.
Bharat 32-8 32-12.
B. Dyeing 1090 88-12 1100 1090 1105 1098-12.
C. India 255 57 56 60-8 57.
Century 243-12 42-8.
Finlay 278.
Gokak 282 81 84.
I. U. Defd. 1-15 1-14 1-14-6.
I. U. Ord. 12-4 12-2 12-5 12-4 12-5.
Indore 120 22-8 21-4.
Kohinoor 305 7 5-8 10 7-8 9-8 8.
Model 172-8 75.
Minerva 138-12.
New City 186-4.
New Great 165.
Podar 140
Simplex 206 5 7 6-8.
Svades.i 277 78-8 77 81 80 81 78-8.
Tata Mills 60 59.
Vishnu 227-8.
B. Steam 247-8 45.
Scindia 13-11 13-7 13-10.
Baroda 119 20.
Central 83-8 84 83-8.
Central New 84-8.
Imperial Old 1790.
Imperial New 438-12 42-8.
India 177-8 78-8.
Union 7-2 7-4.
U. Commercial 50.
Ahmedabad 130
Amalgamated 11-2
Suburban 152-8
Surat 130
Hydro 155-8 56 55
Hydro Pref. 128-12
Power 1545 42-8
New India 61-12 60-12
B. Steel 23 22-14 23-4 23-2
I. Iron 32-4 32-6 32-4 32-11 32-9 32-11 32-7
Tata Defd 1605 17-8 1595 1627-8 20 30 20 40 17-8
Tata Ord 326 28 25 30-8 30 32-8 28
Tata 2nd Pref. 138 38-8
Alcock 280 81-4
A.C.C. 158-8 59-8 58-12 60 59-8
Belapur 225 24 25 24-8 25
B.B. Old 372-8 71-4 78-12 76-4
B.B. New 126-4 25
B.B. Petrol 1-5-6 1-4-9 1-5-3
B.I.C. 9-7-6 9-7
I Copper 2-8-6 2-8
I.I. Trust 85-12
P. Const 95-8 94 96 95 96-8 95-8
Shivrajpur 31-8 31
Tata Chem. 11-12 11-6 11-9 11-8
Tata Oil 52-12 53 52-12 53-8 53
Walchandnagar 135
Wimco 215 13-12

SPECIAL—
Khatau Pref 97-8
Jalgaon Elec. 10-6
Dena Bank 37-8.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 19.

B. C. Rates T. T. D D. 1/5 15/16 Ready
B. C. Rates T T D. D 1/5 29 32 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Selling T. T D D. 1/5 31/32 Ready.
London Banks Selling T T. D D 1/5 15/16 upto 6 Months
London Banks Buying T. T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D 1 6 1/16 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying D D 1 6 3/32 5th and 6th Month.
London Bank, Buying D D. 1/6 1/8 7th—9th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Month.
New York B C Rate T T Rs. 478 1.4 Montreal Rs. 435
Banks Selling I T D D Rs 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435.
Banks buying I T. Rs. 475 Montreal Rs 431 3/4
Banks Buying D. D. Rs 472 1/2 Montreal Rs. 429 3/4
Banks Buying D D Rs 473 3/4 L/C., Montreal Rs 430 1/2 L.C
Paris Banks Selling T. T Fcs. 7250
Paris Banks Buying T T. Fcs. 7500
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T D. D. Fl. 79
Switzerland Banks Selling T. T D. D. Fcs. 90 1/4.
Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1033.
Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds. 79.
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83 1/4.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 3/4.
Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 238 3/4.
New York/London Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8, London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. not quoted. London/Alexandria, Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4, London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.63-65, London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35, London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140.10, London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36, London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 27/32-1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 89.40-91.00 London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10-63-65, London/Karachi Cross Rate Rs. 2/1-84-2/1.94, London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 80.35 London/Manila Cross Rate Pes 5.60-5.65 London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 3.07-3/4-3.08 1/4, London/New York Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8, London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.93-20.02 London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 979-981 London/Prague Cross Rate K 141 London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/32 2/4 5/32, London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50 London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 12.23-12 28
London discts 3 Mos. 5/8 p.c.
London Discts. 6 Mos. 3/4 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call 3/4 per cent, 3 Mos. 1 per cent, 6 Mos. 1-1/4 per cent, 12 Mos. 1-1/2 per cent.
Tone: Easy

THE BANK OF BIKANER LTD.

During the nine months ended the 31st December 1949, the net profit of the Bank of Bikaner Ltd., inclusive of a sum of Rs. 16,971-9-10 being the balance brought forward from the previous year amounted to Rs. 6,52,212-3-8, which sum is available for appropriation subject to audit.

POSITION OF WOOL INDUSTRY

BOMBAY, January 18.

Messrs. J. Hardace and Co., have issued the following report:

BADFORD

The week has seen still further advances in all quotations for tops and it is difficult to get firm offers even for June-July shipment. Even at the new limits quotations are still substantially below replacement cost. The market is very excited as reports from the primary markets show that every bale of wool offered is being taken up at daily increasing prices. Wool consumption in the U. K. during the month of November 1949 was 48.39 million pounds compared with 41.62 million pounds in November 19484 and a monthly average of 41.13 million pounds for the whole year 1948.

AUSTRALIA

The market is very excited with buyers operating at best, all limits being ignored. Prices at Adelaide are 10 per cent to 15 per cent above those ruling at the last sales in December.

NEW ZEALAND

Russia played an important part at the Invercargill sales and prices again advanced 4d. to 5d. per lb.

SOUTH AFRICA

Keen competition eqisted at Durban and East London with price increase of 10 per cent at Port Elizabeth and 5 per cent to 10 per cent at other sales.

INDIA

Some of the Indian mills have been buying large weights of wool and tops during the past fornight at prices fully 60 per cent above those ruling in September 1949. As we pointed out last week many lakhs of rupees of foreign exchange, have been thrown away as a result of the non-issue of Import Licences for purchases made at the lower prices ruling in September 1949.

WOOL STATISTICS IN THE U. K.

The Wool Industry Bureau of Statistics, which was formed when the Wool Control ceased to function in October, reports that the first returns made by the Industry in the U. K. under the voluntary system are in every way as fully comprehensive as when the returns were made under Statutory compulsion.

A similar system of statistical returns from the industry in India would go a long way towards promoting a better understanding of the problems and needs of the Industry. Unfortunately the mills themselves do not seem prepared to render such returns.

WEAKNESS IN GRAINS TELLS ON N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Profit Taking Reduces Gains In Wall Street

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.

COTTON: After initial irregularities prices sagged slightly on scattered hedges and liquidation partly induced by the disappointing consumption figures which were about 20,000 bales under expectations. On the other hand scale-down trade buying against textile sales offered the chief support. Dealings were slow with traders awaiting fresh incentives. Following early afternoon recoveries on persistent dribbling trade buying the market reacted sharply in sympathy with the weakness of grains and reports that the Commodity Credit Corporation was offering surplus food commodities for export at around the current market levels. The session finally closed steady on subsidence of pressure with sales estimated at 130,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

March	30.48	—04
May	30.75	—15
July	30.38	—09
October	28.56	—05
December	28.47	—05
Middling Spot	31.70	

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

March	30.69	—08
May	30.70	—11
July	30.27	—09
October	28.47	—09
Middling Spot	30.80	—05
New York Cotton	March highest 30.87 at	11.54 lowest 30.75 at 14.57 hours.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA Jan. 18.

KARNAK

Jan.	81.95—60
Mar.	80.20—60
May	79.25—80

ASHMOUNI

Feb.	75.90—135
April	75.00—105
June	73.65— 82

WALL STREET MARKET

Prices recovered further modest ground in moderate activity despite reports that fuel shortages caused by the strike are hindering industrial operations Apparently it is felt there will be federal intervention should the situation become sufficiently serious. Utilities were near the 1950 peak aided by the record electricity output last week of 6,029 million kilowatt hours or 5.3 per cent above the same week in 1949. The averages at noon were industrials 199.88 and rails 54.97.

Occasional bursts of realising halted the advance but failed to cause much, if any, recession from the best. American can again outdistanced the main body. While there was no concrete news the strength of American can was variously ascribed to large investment trust buying and rumours of a possible split-up. Baldwin Locomotive were popular in rail equipments wherein some large diesel locomotive orders have been received. Profittaking was somewhat more agressive and succeeded in reducing or erasing many earlier gains. The market closed barely steady.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, January 18.

American Telephone and Telegraph	148	1/8
Amerex Holding Co.	33	1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	29	7/8
Chase National Bank	25	3/4
Firestone Tyres	34	7/8
General Electric	42	1/8
General Motors	72	
Ingersoll Rand	69	1/2
International Nickel	35	1/2
National City Bank	13	1/4
New York Central Railroad	12	1/2
Sinclair Oil	22	1/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	16	1/2
Texas Corporation	60	1/2
U. S Smelting and Refining	39	
Union Carbide	43	3/4
U. S. Steel common	28	
Western Union "A"	20	3/8

The volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,570,000 shares. The highest and lowest U. S. Steel trading prices were 28 1/4 and 24 3/4 respectively.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.

Prices ruled steady early, reflecting export buying, but later all grains encountered increased profit-taking and hedging and together with lack of follow-through in commercial demand, prices backed away rather sharply

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.

March	2.14	1/8
May	2.09	1/8
July	1.90	7/8
September	1.91	1/4

LONDON STOCKS

LONDON, January 18.

	£
2 1/2 p.c. British Consols	68 5 8
3 1/2 p.c Conversion Loan 1961	92
4 p.c. Funding Loan 1960 or after	100 1 8
3 1/2 p.c. War Loan on or after Dec. 1st 1952	90 1 8
Chartered Bank of India	9 15 10
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	88 1 2
National Bank of India	44

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange were officially placed at 5,869.

CONTINENTAL STOCK EXCHANGES

PARIS, Jan. 18 Trading was on a similar patter to previous sessions—early caution plus lower prices followed by a partial improvement when increased resistance was met. Part of the firmness in certain sections of the forward market was derived from investments by overseas interests, notably Swiss French rates were weak

BRUSSELS. Prices were mainly irregular in limited activity although the tendency was resistant on the hole. Notable, among the irregular groups, were metalurgicals, constructions and electricities Colonials however, were maintained

AMSTERDAM: Opening hesitation was substituted by an improving demand and although business was not effected in many cases, a generally firm undertone developed. Most internationals were maintained with the notable exception of Philips which again lost ground.

NEW YORK PEPPER EASY

NEW YORK, Jan. 18: The New York pepper market was easier, spots offered at 129 cents a pound. The following are today's closing prices: spot 1.29 asked January 1.27 nominal, March 1.22 nominal, May 1.22 nominal, July 1.20 bid September 1.18 nominal October 1.14 nominal White pepper spot 2.20 asked

LONDON PEPPER MARKET

LONDON, Jan. 18: The market was quiet but prices are maintaining in unison with eastern offers. Black Lampong January-February shipment held for 9sh. 9d. and white Muntok 15sh. 9d. shipping rates, and white Sarawak 16sh. 3d. delivered weight per pound-weight cost insurance freight, basis ports Sellers of Malabar afloat asked 1.030 sh. and January-February was valued 1.000 sh. per hundredweight cost insurance freight United Kingdom after 990sh reported paid yesterday

SINGAPORE PEPPER PRICES

SINGAPORE, Jan. 18: Black Lampong was quoted today at 536 dollars per picul and white Muntok 850, advances of ten and 25 dollars respectively compared with yesterday's quotations. About two tons, each of black Lampong and white Muntok loose arrivals, are reported to have been smuggled from the Banka island and absorbed into the local market at $5 to 20 dollars below ex-godown prices

Calcutta Share Bazar

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18.

The market ruled quiet but steady for the more speculative stocks which other stocks remained more or less unaltered. Following are today's final transactions up to 3-00 p.m.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 97/12, Three per cent Loan 1966 97/15, Three per cent Loan 1951/54 101 4 S. L., Three per cent Loan 1959-61 101/2, Three per cent Loan 1963/65 100/2 S. L., Three per cent Loan 1970/75 99/15.

BANKS: Bengal Central 7/4, Hindustan Commercial 27.

COTTONS: Bengal Nagpur 15/8, New Victoria Ordy. 2/8, Ditto Pref. 4/7.

COALS: Bengal 511 S. Lot, Bhalgora 9/4, Bharat 6/8 S. O. L., Burrakur 12/13 East Indian 33/4, South Karanpura 29//14, Tasher 3 4

JUTES: Auckland 114, Bally 2434, Champdany 176, Chevott 285, Ganges 264, Howrah 28-6 Ex. Div., India 153, Megna 126

ENGINEERINGS: Indian Iron 31/8, Marshalls 6/11, National Iron 4/10, Steel Corp 23/4.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corp 2/9, Indian Copper 2/9, Assam Bengal Cement 7/7, Angelo Bros. 20-2, Balmer Lawrie 315, B.I.C 9/8, Eastern Investment 158, Indian Aluminium 130 S. O. L. Indian Wood Products 30, Indian Cable 50/4, Martin Burn 16, Jardine Henderson 139 CT, British Burma Petrol 1/5, Bengal Paper 43/10, Titaghur Paper 34 8, Assam Saws 8-12, India Steamship 7/15

SUGARS: Ramnugger Cane 15, Ryam 16/8.

TEAS: Banarhat 285, Dibrugarh 10 2, Gohpur 29/4 Grob B. 8/2, Tezpur 22/10

COTTON PRESSED IN INDIAN UNION (RUNNING BALES)

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Sports Jottings By "Sportsman"

Drive To Train Young Cricketers Intensified

THREE-WEEK COURSE FOR INSTRUCTORS

The first of its kind to be held in Britain, a three-week course for cricket instructors has just been held at a boys' preparatory school in Essex. The course was attended by nearly 30 county cricketers and sports masters from schools in the South of England and among the students were seven women whose job it is to teach cricket in girls' schools.

Instruction on how to make a boy a good bowler was given by the England and Essex all-rounder, Trevor Bailey, who is a master at the school. He emphasises the need for a subtle approach and said it was better for the coach to suggest ideas to a boy than to order him.

D. R. Wilcox headmaster at the school and a former Essex and Cambridge player, instructed on the fundamental principles of batting and stressed the need to encourage individual characteristics in young players. Other instructions were given by well-known players through the medium of a film.

ROYAL HORSE FAVOURITE FOR GRAND NATIONAL

Since her victory in the Queen Elizabeth stakes at Hurst Park, Monaveen, owned jointly by the Queen and Princess Elizabeth, has been backed all over Britain and is at the moment a 16 to 1 favourite for the Grand National. She is expected to hold that position at the end of the month when backing opens seriously and the weights are known.

Only once before has a Royal horse figured as favourite for the Grand National. That was in 1904 when Ambush II, owned by King Edward VII, was favourite. Ambush II, incidentally, is the only horse carrying the Royal colours to have won this event; that was in 1900 when he beat the great Manifesto, twice a Grand National winner. This success heralded the best year King Edward (then Prince of Wales) had on the turf, for his Diamond Jubilee went on to win the 2,000 Guineas, the Derby and the St. Leger.

Fair Judgment is expected to emerge at the end of the month as favourite for the Lincolnshire Handicap, in which case the two stables which produced last year's "Spring Double" favourites will be doing so again. Fair Judgment was not only favourite for the Lincoln last year but won the event easily.

86 ENTRIES

Entries for the Grand National (numbering 86) are five fewer than last year when there were 43 runners. The first three in last year's event—Russian Hero, Roimond and Royal Mount—have all been nominated and so has Caughoo, who won the 1947 National as a 100 to 1 outsider, but who has done little since. Amongst prominent horses in the list who have not previously taken part in this Aintree event are Shagreen, winner of the Irish Grand National and the pick of the 13 Irish horses nominated; Fighting Line, winner of the Welsh Grand National; and Nagara, who was second in the French Grand National.

Finnure, the brilliant fencer, who recently beat Cottage Rake in the King George VI Stakes, is nominated, although Collage Rake is not. Finnure, the only horse that has beaten Cottage Rake under National Hunt rules in Britain, is likely to be top-weight for the National. It may be that Finnure is intended more for the Cheltenham Gold Cup (when he will seek to stop Cottage Rake bringing off his third successive win in this even) and that his owner, Lord Bicester, will centre his National hopes in his other horse entered, Roimond.

INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS IN PARIS

Johnny Leach, the British holder of the world table tennis title, reached the fourth round in the men's singles in the international championships in Paris over the week-end, beating J. Guerin (Franch) 21-7, 21-2, 21-5 in the third round. A. Simons (who, with Leach, is included in the British team for the world championship games in Budapest at the end of January) was another third-round winner, beating Pagnard (Franch) 21-15, 21-16, 21-11.

Mrs. Vera Thomas, who is also a member of the England team going to Budapest, went through to the quarter finals of the women's singles, defeating Mlle. G. Belot (France) 21-7, 21-13, 21-12 in the second round. Leach and Mrs. Thomas reached the semi-finals of the mixed event, beating Petrissant and Mlle. Bedoc (France) 21-17, 22-20, 21-15.

ANOTHER ASSIGNMENT FOR LIVINGSTON

Likely To Captain English Side To Tour S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 18 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Jock Livingston who is at present leading the Commonwealth Cricket Team in India, has been mentioned as probable captain of a side of English club cricketers to tour South Africa next summer.

The South African Cricket Association has accepted a proposal from England for a side of club cricketers strengthened by several first class players to tour the Union next summer for six weeks.

The team according to F. B. Treadwell, President of the Transvaal Cricket Union, will probably be captained by Australian, Jock Livingston, and will include three players from Northamptonshire.

The remainer of the players will be of week-end club strength. They will play one-day matches and will not meet provincial sides.

Complete Film Record Of Empire Games

WELLINGTON, Jan. 17 (PTI-Reuter).

An eight thousand foot feature film is to be made of the British Empire Games in Auckland next month, and will be released a fortnight after the games end, the Wellington "Evening Post" reported today.

No short news reels of the games will be made under the present arrangements by the New Zealand National Film Unit which has the sole film rights for the games.

Commenting on this report the technical director in charge of the filming of the games, Mr. Geoffrey Scott, said the energies of the National Film Unit would be concentrated on turning out a really first class film rather than a "series of snippets".

Scott added that the National Film Unit could not make shorts in addition to the long film and the Empire Games Commitee had said that it would prefer a long complete film to be made.

ARGENTINA DROPS OUT OF WORLD SOCCER

Alleged Unfriendliness By Brazilian Authorities

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 17 (PTI-Reuter).

Argentina will not take part in the World Soccer Championships ao be held in Brazil this summer.

The President of the Argentine Football Association today announced a resolution, approved by the Executive Council, in which Argentina declared she would not take part in the championships in Rio de Janeiro.

The Council said it took the decision "because of a certain attitude of unfriendliness" by Brazilian football towards the Argentine Association.

Indian Women's Hockey Team For England

LONDON, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter):—An All-India women's hockey team will visit England for the first time next year if plans materialise for a series of matches during the festival of Britain.

The invitation to tour Britain as guests of the All-England Women's Hockey Association has been provisionally accepted and the Indian team would probably arrive in England in the spring of 1951.

Bombay's Weight Lifting Team Selected

The following have been selected to represent Bombay in the VIth Indian Weight Lifting Championships to be held along with the XIVth Indian Olympic Games on 10th, 11th and 12th February 1950 at Bombay:—

BANTAM—V. W. Phenany—Tata Sports Club, R. S Desai—BES & T Sports Club, N.K. Apte—Sawe's.

FEATHER—M.V. Nadkarni—BB & CI Rly. D.S. Dandekar—Sawe's. D. A. Warang—Home Guards.

LIGHT—K. Wadiraj—Herculues Gymnasium, C. N. Gujarathi—Poona weight Lifting Assn. A.N.P. Haran—BB & CI Rly.

MIDDLE—J.D. Telang—BB and CI Rly. H. V. Thakkar—Modern Health Home. R.E. Lincoln—BPWLA.

LIGHT HEAVY—J.G. Pendharkar—Sawe's. E. Rosario—St. Xavier's College.

HEAVY—M. P. Ghule—Poona Weight Lifting Assn. N.K. Nair—Modern Health Home.

Team Manager: Mr. T. V. Harihar.

Cuttack Government Cut Contribution

CUTTACK, Jan. 17 (PTI): The Governor of Orissa, Mr. Asaf Ali, said at the annual provincial sports meeting at Cuttack that the offer of Rs. one lakh as Government's contribution to the proposed stadium at Cuttack had to be cut down to Rs. 25,000 in view of the economy measures launched by the Government. He said they also could not expect in these days any appreciable contributions either from zamindars or the rulers. The contributions should come only from the general public.

Mr. Bhairva Chandramahanti, M.L.A., General Secretary of the Association proposed to revive the Orissa Tennis Championship this year and also proposed to affiliate the tennis branch with the All-India Tennis Association.

C. P. Berar Olympics

(From Our Own Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Jan. 15.

There were eleven starters for the 5,000 metres cycle race held yesterday under the auspices of the C.P. and Berar Olympic Asociation, whose 6th Olympiad is in progress here, and all completed the course, Shivprasad (Gun Carriage Factory), who won the 10,000 metres cycle race the previous day, being surprisingly defeated by Ramanathan, Signal Training Centre.

Results were as follows:—

Ramanathan (S.T.C.) 1, Surjit [illegible] (A. P. Nerbudda H. S.) 2, Shivpra[illegible] (G.C.F.) 3. Time: 8 min. 30 secs.

Two games in the Volley Ball Competition of the games resulted as follows:—

Post and Telegraph "B" beat G.C.F. 15-7, 15-8 S.T.C. "B" beat Anjuman High School 15-6, 15-4.

MR. DAULATRAM WITH RAJASTHAN MINISTERS

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram (centre) confers with Rajasthan Ministers at a meeting of the Underground Water Board appointed by the Government of India to explore and develop the underground water resources of Rajasthan. Here the Food Minister is seen with (from left) Mr. Raghubir Dayal Goyal, Food and Supply Minister of Rajasthan, Mr. Siddharaj Dhadda, Commerce and Industries Ministers and Mr. Bhurelal Baya, Transport Minister.

C. P. GOVERNOR'S XI TO MEET TOURISTS

C.K. Nayudu To Captain Side

NAGPUR, Jan. 18 (P.T.I.): The C. P. and Berar Cricket Association announced this evening the C. P. Governor's XI to play against the Commonwealth Cricket Team in the three-day fixture at Nagpur commencing on January 21.

The team will be: Lt.-Col. C. K. Nayudu (Captain), C. S. Nayudu, Hiralal Gaekwad, C. T. Sarwate, A. R. Nayudu, Vinoo Mankad, G. Kishenchand, K. K. Srivastava, Kamraj Kesari, S. S. Jog, P. G. Joshi (wicket-keeper). The twelfth man: S. A. Rahim. Reserves: G. D. Mishra and R. Narsimhan.

SEERS CUP BADMINTON

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Khar Gymkhana beat Catholic Gymkhana by two matches to one in the Seers Cup Tournament played at the Dadar Hindu Gymkhana Courts.

Having been one game all yesterday there was only the men's doubles match which was not played and was to decide the tie. This evening H. C. Patel and B. V. Sirsat of Khar Gymkhana beat G. Fernandes and J. D'Souza of Catholic Gymkhana in three games the score being 12—15, 15—5, 15—9.

SOUTH AFRICAN TEAM ARRIVES AT CALCUTTA

On Way To New Zealand For Empire Games

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (PTI)—The South African contingent of 21 competitors and 2 managers for the coming Empire Games to be held next month at Auckland passed through Calcutta today on their way to New Zealand. They arrived here from Karachi by air this morning and left for Singapore after a brief stay at Dum Dum Airport. They will also touch down at Darwin and Sydney on their way to Auckland.

The manager, Captain C. J. Rutman, told the Press Trust of India that his men were holders of National Championships and were looking forward to the games with reasonable optimism.

They will take part in almost all events, including athletic, swimming, boxing, wrestling and weight-lifting.

Of the two girls in the team one is a swimmer and the other a sprinter. Miss Joan Harrison holds as many as nine swimming titles in her country and Miss Daffney Rob is the winner of the 100 metres and 440 metres and some other sprints. Sheffered, the South African Olympic boxer, who retired in the second round contest at London with a nasty cut in the eye, is also in the team.

The members of the team and the assistant manager, Mr. A. R. Bulley also looked cheerful and confident.

GWALIOR HOCKEY FINAL

GWALIOR, Jan. 19 (PTI): The Punjab Police (Jullundur) defeated the O. T. Railway Gorakhpur by four goals to one in the All-India Scindia Gold Cup Hockey Tournament played here at the Race Course today.

After distributing the prizes to the winners and runners up, the Premier, Mr. Gopikrishna Vijayavargaiva, said that his government was considering a scheme to form a single sports association for the whole of Madhyabharat.

Hail Stones Hit Jammu Village: 12 Injured

JAMMU, Jan. 19 (PTI): Hail stones of the size of cricket balls beat down a mountain village, forty-two miles north-east of Jammu, injuring twelve persons including three children, last night when heavy rainfall lashed several parts of Jammu and Kashmir, according to a report received here.

During the past three days, Kashmir had the heaviest snowfall of the season.

ARRESTED MAN STABS CONSTABLE TO DEATH

TRIVANDRUM, Jan. 19 (PTI): A police constable was fatally stabbed today by a man whom he had apprehended, according to information received at the official quarters from Nelikara, 70 miles from here.

The alleged assailant, it is stated, was wanted in connection with Communist activities, and while being taken to the police station, he attacked the constable with a dagger. The man was chased and caught by members of the public and other policemen in the area.

U.S.-Soviet Tussle Over Berlin Building

BERLIN, Jan. 19 (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet authorities today demanded immediate evacuation of the American sector headquarters of the Russian controlled railway system, occupied by west sector police on Tuesday night.

The demand was made by Major-General Alexander Kotikov, Soviet Commandant in Berlin, in a letter to General Maxwell Taylor, American Commandant, stating "German police of the American sector forced their way into the building, disrupted communications and thus disorganised the work of the Berlin railway."

In his reply, General Taylor said that the building had been taken over under American authorities, since nearly all the 600 rooms had been vacant for some time.

Sholapur Mill Meeting

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mills in Sholapur had made enormous profits in spite of the fact that they had passed through the same circumstances and had suffered the same hardships. The Vishnu Mill had made a profit of Rs. 14,80,000 in 1947 and Rs. 22,43,000 in 1948. The Laxmi Mill had made a profit of Rs. 24,96,000 in 1947 and Rs. 39,46,000 in 1948. It was strange that the Sholapur Mill which was similarly situated had, on the contrary, shown a loss of Rs. 33 lakhs and Rs. 27 lakhs respectively during those two years.

Mr. Gordhandas then started with a barrage of questions on the management of the mill. The Chairman expressed his inability to answer any of them as the books were not there and there was none present to be in a position to answer, as even the auditors were absent. He, however, invited a list of all questions saying that it would be submitted to the new Board for clarifications, as was desired by some shareholders.

MISMANAGEMENT

Proceeding Mr. Gordhandas revealed that the mill had incurred a colossal loss of over Rs. seven crores in course of the last several years. This was exclusively due to the criminal neglect and maladministration on the part of the Directors and Managing Agents. The shareholders were the real owners of the Company, and he hoped that the new Board would take immediate measures to recover the loss by freezing the assets of the Managing Agents.

Mr. D. C. Mehta drew the attention of the Chairman and the shareholders to the fact that several objectionable matters were included in the Directors' Report also. He feared that this might lead to litigation, and it was, therefore, wise to remove some of those objectionable paragraphs. He further called the attention of the new Board to the mystery surrounding the fact that the former Chairman Mr. Deepchand Shah had signed the Report even before the auditors had signed it. Mr. Mehta wanted to know as to when Mr. Shah had become a shareholder and when a Director.

DIRECTORS' REPORT NOT ADOPTED

The Chairman again intervened at this stage. He admitted that the questions had to be answered but there was none in a position to give the answers and it was not possible to adopt the Report and the audited statement of accounts before members had received satisfactory answers to their questions. This was not possible under the present circumstances: so, at the suggestion of some shareholders, he agreed that the Meeting should be adjourned till the new Board had studied the whole situation and was in a position to answer their questions. This might take three months or even more.

The Meeting was therefore adjourned sine die, but to be held within three months.

DEFINITE BASIS FOR TAX DISTRIBUTION

Evidence Before Finance Enquiry Body

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The need for a clear and scientific demarcation of the central, provincial and local spheres of taxation was emphasised today before the Finance Enquiry Committee for local bodies, by representatives of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay. They were: Mr. R. G. Saraiya, Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji, Mr. Dayabhai V. Patel and Mr. A. C. Ramalingam (Secretary).

In the course of their oral evidence and also through a written memorandum submitted to the Committee, the representatives of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, urged that in regard to distribution of tax resources between the Centre and the provinces, a definite basis should be evolved for allocating specific sources of taxation for meeting the financial needs of the local bodies.

3 Die In Lorry-Cart Collision

INDORE, Jan. 19 (PTI): Three persons died, two instantaneously and one on the way to hospital, as a result of a collision between a military lorry and two bullock carts on the Bombay-Agra road about 16 miles from here.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON (MARCH)

NEW YORK, Jan. 19

Previous closing	30.78
Today's opening	30.71
Difference	—07
Today's closing	30.83
Difference	+05

LAST QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Jan. 19

Silver Forward	Rs.	180	8 0
Gold Forward	Rs.	114	8 0
Silver Bullion	Rs.	180	2 0
Silver Mint	Rs.	180	10 0
Gold Ready	Rs.	114	12 0
Sovereign	Rs.	75	8 0

NEW YORK STOCKS

Opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 29-7/8.

General Motors dol. 72.

United States Steel Common dol. 27-7/8.

Pref. unquotaed.—(PTI-Reuter).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Jan 19, (PTI-Reuter): Support for British Government stocks gave the section firm tone today. Business, however, was mainly on behalf of smaller investors. Dealers reported that institutions remain out of market and for this election uncertainties are responsible.

Industrials were uncertain and lower for choice. Textiles lost ground on some provincial offerings and many of miscellaneous leaders were a few pence off.

The foreign bond section was enlivened by renewed activity and interest in Japanese issues. Gains of nearly four points were shown by dollar chase stocks. Europeans were barely maintained.

Coppers and rubbers were better where changed but oils eased in an idle market. In most sections the volume of trading was small and "Electionistis" was still apparent.

Interest in Kaffirs was stimulated by rumours of good developments from Freestate area. Prices where changed showed useful gains. Producers were mainly steady.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 19.

Market observed a setback and closed with a weak undertone:—

FLUCTUATIONS: Calico Opened 291/12, Highest 296/8.

Arvind Opened 780, Highest 795.

Ambica Opened 362, Highest 366.

Deferred Opened 1615, Lowest 1602, Highest 1640.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS: Calico 292/12, Arvind. 788, Ambica 362, Deferred 1614, Ajit 270, Ashok 348/12, Hindustan Chamical 115.

STEEP FALL IN AMERICAN PRICES ARRESTED

Devaluation Looks Like Succeeding

BOMBAY, Thursday.

INDIA and other countries of the Sterling Area who have devalued their currencies seem to have justified this decision since a fall in American prices which was threatening to undermine the advantages flowing from it has now reversed itself leading to increase in dollar value of sterling goods, writes U.P.I. city editor.

As soon as U.K. and other countries in its wake devalued their currencies to make their wares cheaper in the Dollar Area, the import prices in the U.S.A. recorded a steep fall to neutralise the advantages and would accrue to the Sterling Area following this decision. It was feared that if the U.S.A. importers persisted in their 'deliberate' attempts to bring down buying costs in the Sterling Area, there was no other alternative but to counteract this effect.

ARRESTED

The latest price indices of both sterling and dollar goods before and after devaluation as available in Bombay, however, show that this trend of fall in American prices has been completely 'arrested' and that there may not be any need at all to increase the buying price of American gold if this development continues to downgrade the trade of the Dollar Area vis-a-vis Sterling Area.

For example, rubber in New York (price index 95 for September 1949 compared with 100 in January) fell throughout October, but has since then recovered almost to September level. Another instance of a similar recovery in American prices coupled with a more pronounced rise in sterling prices is to be found in copper.

In the U.S.A. copper is quoted at 18-1/2 cents a lb. compared with 17-5/8 cents at the beginning of September and 16 cents in June. Zinc prices fluctuated in New York in October, and although by the end of the year, they were up again upto the September level, they still showed a 44 per cent drop during the year. But on the whole, the prices of raw materials that are being imported from the Sterling Area or elsewhere in the USA are showing an upward trend.

NEW PHENOMENON

This new phenomenon of rise in industrial raw materials in the U.S.A. since devaluation, it is pointed out in Bombay, will immensely benefit the Indian exporters who are bracing themselves to a 'supreme' effort to boost the export of their raw materials, such as mica, tea and coffee to the land of the almighty dollar to secure much-needed hard currencies which are so essential to maintain an equilibrium in India's balance of payments.

It is, however, admitted that this is only an interim account of what has happened to prices since Sept. and that devaluation has not by any means produced its full effect on the internal structure of costs and price in India, but has only put international prices in better comparision.

INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

Reserve Bank of India, Department of Research and Statistics, Bombay has issued on following index figures:—

I. ALL INDIA

Group and Sub-Group	Week Ended 8-1-'49	10-12-'49	31-12-'49	7-1-'50
(A) *Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities*				
1. Govt. of India Loans	101.84	101.41	101.30	101.31
2. Indian States Loans	102.04	98.87	98.87	98.87
3. Municipal, Port Trust and Improvement Trust Loans	98.00	97.25	97.25	97.25
GROUP INDEX	101.75	101.26	101.16	101.17
(B) *Fixed Dividend Industrial Securities*				
1. Electricity	79.2	80.4	80 8	81.1
2. Cotton	161.6	148.0	149.1	149.2
3. Jute	108.0	90.7	90.3	89.8
4. Coal	116.1	106.9	106.9	106.9
5. Iron & Steel	88.1	89.7	91.4	91:3
6. Sugar	128.0	106.4	106.4	106.4
7. Paper	123.2	99.2	99.2	99.2
8. Plantations	121.8	110.6	111.2	109.8
GROUP INDEX	107.13	100.13	100.84	100.60
(C) *Variable Dividend Industrial Securities*				
1. Banks	128.4	119.3	123.1	123.8
2. Insurance	143.0	118.2	120.5	120.7
3. Investment Trusts	183.6	162.2	166.3	169.9
4. Electricity Companies and Tramways	85.4	84.2	84.6	85.5
5. Shipping & Other Transport Companies	130.9	92.9	94 7	95.0
6. Railways	89.0	90.0	90.1	90.1
7. Plantations	148.7	121.0	124.7	125.8
8. Cotton, Woollen & Silk	178.2	149.7	157 5	157.7
9. Jute	97.3	79.3	76.6	77.2
10. Coal	130.5	108.5	105.9	106.7
11. Mining & Oil	75.2	60.1	64.2	64.2
12. Iron & Steel	149.4	143.2	150 4	154.3
13. General Engineering	179.6	151.2	166.1	167.8
14. Sugar	135.4	115.9	121 7	121.9
15. Breweries	115.5	108.5	106.3	106 6
16. Chemicals	173.4	157.6	165.7	165.0
17. Paper	109.3	107.1	109.6	110.3
18. Cement	128.9	120.3	127.5	131.2
GROUP INDEX	128.96	114.49	117.87	118.77

II. REGIONAL

Region and Group	Week Ended 8-1-'49	10-12-'49	31-12-'49	7-1-'50
(A BOMBAY				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	101.09	100.54	100 44	100.45
Fixed Dividend Industrials	96.2	97.4	98.7	98.7
Variable Dividend Industrials	141.8	129.1	135.4	136.9
(B CALCUTTA				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	102.07	101.65	101.56	101.56
Fixed Dividend Industrials	119.7	101.5	101.3	100.9
Variable Dividend Industrials	119.7	104.3	106.2	107.0
(C MADRAS				
Govt. and Semi-Govt. Securities	102.00	101.61	101 46	101.48
Fixed Dividend Industrials	123.9	115.7	117.0	116.9
Variable Dividend Industrials	147.6	127.3	140.9	140.6

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NO INCREASE IN GENERAL TAX

Socialist Proposal Defeated

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A proposal made by the Socialist member Mr. Dinkar Desai for a three per cent increase in the General Tax from the present level of 14 per cent was rejected by the Municipal Corporation today when it took up the item-by-item discussion of the Municipal Budget for 1950-51.

Mr. Desai moved the amendment to this effect when the House was considering the Budget receipt under the head General Tax. The Socialist member said that with the increase of the proposed three per cent in the tax, there should be a corresponding decrease in the Urban Immovable Property Tax levied by Government. Such a step, he said, would augment the municipal finances by about Rs. 55 lakhs without throwing any additional burden on the landlords.

Mr. K. S. Keluskar, Mr. V. S. Velinkar and Mr. Adam Adil supported the amendment.

The Chairman of the Standing Committee Mr. Saleibhoy Abdul Khader, opposed the amendment stating that any increase in the General Tax would lower the Corporation's credit in the money market, at a time when they were thinking of borrowing from the public for financing the various projects which had already been undertaken. He said that a sufficient margin should be left as a security against loans which would be raised by the Corporation.

The House negatived the amendment.

WATER TAX

During discussion on the water tax, Opposition members moved a number of amendments, proposing to increase the rate on water supplied to the race course, the port trust and the textile mills.

Mr. M. Harris wanted that the rate should be increased from Rs. 1-1 to Rs. 1-8 in respect of the textile mills. He said that the millowners did not deserve any sympathy from them as they were out to exploit the workers and the consuming public.

Mr. Saleboy Abdul Khader, opposing all the amendments, said that it would be most undesirable to aggravate the crisis facing the textile industry at the moment. The millowners would naturally pass on the increased water rate to the consumers, he said. He asserted that the present rates were quite reasonable.

The amendments were lost.

Earlier Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor, welcomed Mr. Nariman Contractor, "The Boy Mayor" of the Boys' Town at Nasik, run on the model of a similar institution in America. The principal of the Town, Mr. Soli S. Pavri was also present in the House. Mr. Patil said that the experiment was a grand one in that young boys were trained in the technique of the administration of civic affairs.

Further discussion on the budget items will be continued tomorrow.

FRONTIER TICKETS IN BENGAL

Through Booking Ends

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (PTI): Indo-Pakistan though booking of railway passengers and goods ceased to operate from the midnight of January 19-20 and the railway authorities of both the Dominions are issuing "frontier tickets" (tickets to be valid in their respective territories) to passengers intending to cross the border.

Since the announcement this morning of the news about the suspension of through bookings, constant enquiries poured into Sealdah station, through which thousands of passengers travel between the two Dominions daily.

The railway authorities at Sealdah informed the passengers of Pakistan-bound trains today about the suspension of through bookings and this resulted in many passengers taking refund of their tickets.

While no indication had been given by the Pakistan authorities to change the present arrangements with regard to mail service, newspaper offices were, however, asked to make their own arrangements for the transhipment of newspaper packets across the border.

It is learnt that the EIR authorities have adequate arrangements at border stations for booking of incoming passengers after midnight.

INDIA TO RUN BENGAL ASSAM RAIL LINK

Agreement With Pakistan Terminated

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18.

The Government of India have decided to convert 70 miles of broad gauge section on the Bengal Assam link into metre gauge. This link was being run by the Pakistan railway system, under agreement. The Government of India have terminated the agreement with Pakistan, with effect from tomorrow.

MORE STRIKERS JOIN WORK

Hyderabad Situation Improves

SECUNDERABAD, Jan. 19, (U.P.I.): The municipal sweepers and scavengers of Hyderabad and Secunderabad who have joined the general strike have been warned by authorities to return to work by the morning of January 21, as they have no valid reasons for going on strike, and as the continuation of the strike by sweepers and scavengers may jeopardise public health and even give rise to epidemics."

On the eighth day of the general strike there are signs of improvement in the situation, and slowly the workers are going back to their posts, it was officially stated today.

The situation at Shakkarnagar has improved considerably.

Mills Have To Close

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 19 (PTI)—The Secretary of the Ahmedabad Millowners Association said here today that the mills, though keen on avoiding closure, were unable to do so as the samples of different varieties of cotton were not made available to them and the few samples of the types of cotton defrozen by the Textile Commissioner were not found suitable.

CHINA REDS OVER PAMIR PLATEAU

LONDON, Jan. 18. (PTI-Reuter): Chinese Communist troops have reached "the roof of the world" (the great Pamir Plateau) hoisting the red star flag on China's most western frontier adjoining the Soviet Union.

Reporting this tonight a New China News Agency despatch received here said units of the liberation army marched 4,000 miles across the desert from Shensito, frontier city of Kiashi.

Telegrams For Israel

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Owing to strike in Israel, telegrams to that country are liable to additional delay, announces the Overseas Communications Service.

Overseas Radiotelephone Service with the Norwegian Liner Oslofjord is now available via London. Charges for calls will be Rs. 60/- for first three minutes, Rs. 4/- for report fee charges and Rs. 20/- for every additional minute, announces the Overseas Communications Service.

EXPORT OF PRAWNS: Prawns are uncontrolled and will, henceforth, be permitted for export without any licensing restrictions to all permissible destinations.

Detenu's Letter To Lawyer Withheld

FEDERAL COURT HITS JAIL AUTHORITIES

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI)—The Federal Court of India today dismissed the appeals by 21 Bihar detenus challenging the validity of their detention under the Bihar Public Safety Ordinance. It passed strictures in one case on the conduct of jail authorities who, it was alleged had detained the letter written by a detenu to his lawyers.

Mrs. Nilima Sarkar, the appellent in the case, who had filed the appeal on behalf of her husband, Jagannath Sarkar, had complained to the court that the letter written by her husband to his lawyer asking the lawyer to represent him in the High Court had been detained by the jail authorities with the result that he was unrepresented.

The letter was handed over by the authorities on September 7, one day after the appeal was dismissed, with portions thereof erased.

Referring to this complaint, Their Lordships observed: 'We feel constrained to state that, in our opinion, it is reprehensible that communications made by a prisoner to his legal adviser should be delayed and he should be hampered in placing his grievances before the proper court". They hoped that the Provincial Government would look into the allegations and, if they were made out take proper steps to see that in future communcations by prisoners to their legal advisers, were not "unduly delayed."

In dismissing the appeals, Their Lordships upheld their previous decision in an earlier case, that the Bihar Public Safety Ordinance was valid. They referred to the representations by some of the detenus about their grounds of detention and said the Ordinance provided for a machinery (Advisory Council) to scrutinise the basis of the grounds of detention and "if it functions properly, many of the grievances which have been ventilated in this court should receive due consideration before it."

WORK MORE, HELP ONE ANOTHER

Rajaji's Advice To People

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19 (PTI)—The Governor-General, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari today calling upon people to work more said that wealth consisted not in paper or in coin but a daily work and mutual assistance.

Addressing over 3,000 refugees who have been settled at the rehabilitation colony at Nilokheri—84 miles from Delhi—Mr. Rajagopalachari said: "If everybody works, but nobody helps one another, there is no wealth. If the people do not work, they must remain miserable."

HEALTH MINISTER CHEERS UP REFUGEE CHILD

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Health Minister, Government of India, with others inside the Faridabad Refugee Camp Hospital which she visited on January 17.

STRANDED AT KHULNA

Plight Of India-Bound Hindu Families

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (PTI)—A large number of Hindu families, on their way from East Bengal to the Indian Union territory, are now stranded at Khulna, Benapole and other border railway stations of East Pakistan, according to information received at the office of the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha.

The Secretary of the Provincial Hindu Mahasaha, Mr. Makhanlal Biswas, in a statement today said that these people were in a "helpless condition". They were not being allowed to leave Pakistan and were being 'harassed by the local police and the Ansars", he added.

The Mahasabha has sent a batch of workers to Bangaon, on the Indo-Pakistan border to look after the refugees sheltered in camps there.

Another Month Of Favourable Trade Balance

INDIA'S DECEMBER EXPORTS EXCEED IMPORTS BY 14.92 CRORES

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, Thursday.

STRICT vigilance over the foreign exchange position has resulted in another month of favourable balance of trade for India. During December 1949, India's exports exceeded imports by Rs. 14.92 crores as against Rs. 8.6 crores in November 1949.

This should be judged against the peak adverse balance of trade in May amounting to Rs. 33.88 crores. Preliminary figures show a fall of rupees eight crores in imports as compared to November figures.

Exports in December had a slight setback of rupees crore and a half as against the record figure of Rs. 51.66 crores in November 1949.

Cotton piecegoods kept up their export record. Actual shipments in November amounted to 64.56 million yards. In December, quantities passed for shipments in Bombay alone amounted to 85.2 million yards.

November exports of jute amounted to 72,500 tons. In December shipping bills were passed for almost the same quantity and actual shipments would be about 65,000 tons. Tea exports were also maintained.

India's overall unfavourable trade balance from April to December amounted to Rs. 119.83 crores.

SEABORNE TRADE

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19 (PTI): The total value of foreign sea-borne and air-borne trade on private and Government accounts, of the maritime Provinces and States of India, during the month of December, 1949, was as follows:—

Merchandise: xports Rs. 51.01 lakhs, re-exports Rs. 86 lakhs, and imports Rs. 35.73 lakhs. Total Rs. 87.60 lakhs.

Treasure exports: Rs. 5 lakhs.

And Imports: Rs. 32 lakhs.

The total value of exports (including re-exports) of merchandise and treasure exceeded the imports by Rs. 15.87 lakhs.

BUDGET SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

British Procedure To Be Followed

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19.

INDIAN Republic's first Parliament will assemble here on Saturday, January 28. A month later, on Tuesday, February 28, the Finance Minister, Dr. John Matthai will present the annual Budget of the Government to the Union Parliament. The thirty-year old procedure of passing all demands for grants and the Finance Bill by March 31 is being changed and replaced by the procedure now followed by the British House of Commons.

Soon after the address by the President, the House will be asked to set up a Committee of Supply, a Committee of Ways and Means and a Committee of Estimates. The presentation of the Budget will be followed by its general discussion after which the House will be asked to pass the Finance Bill after it had been scrutinised by a Select Committee, and grant a credit on account to defray charges for administration during the period ending August 15. During this period, the Committees will scrutinize the expenditure and make their reports to the House, which will be calle upon to pass the final appropriation Bill by August 15.

BRITISH PROCEDURE

In Britain the demand by the Crown for grants of aid and supply for service each financial year, is made in the speech from the throne at the opening of Parliament. The King addresses the Commons and acquaints them that estimates will be laid before them of the amount that will be required. The President of the Indian Republic will address Parliament, probably on January 29 It is, however, not yet known whether he will follow the British practice and acquaint the House of the amount it will be called upon to vote for.

A distinction is made in the functions of the Committee of Estimates and the Committee of Supply. The Committee of Supply considers the general policy and administration, while the Committee of Estimates considers the details of expenditure and is debarred from matters of policy.

BUDGET OPENING

Soon after the commencement of the financial year in Britain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer opens his Budget in the Committee of Ways and Means. Before estimating what revenue he requires for the services of the year, the Chancellor first reviews the outturn of the previous financial year and then discloses the expenditure on the Consolidated Fund Services for the current year.

Consolidated Fund Services consist of expenditures such as that for the services of the national debt, the Civil List, the salaries of Judges, the Speaker etc., which are paid directly under the authority of a statute. It is not yet clear whether the British practice will be followed here in its full detail.

As at present arranged, Parliament will meet on the following days: January.—28th and 31st; February—1st, 2nd, 3rd 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th and 28th; March.—1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 20th, 21st 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th, 29th, 30th and 31st; April.—1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 11th and 12th.

The following days have been alloted for the transaction of Private Members' business:— BILLS.—18th February and 10th April, 1950; RESOLUTION.—9th February and 4th April, 1950.

The Railway Budget will be presented on Friday February 17 and the General Budget on Tuesday February 28, at 5 p.m.

HEAVY PROGRAMME

The budget session will have a heavy programme before it. In addition to the Railway and General Budgets and new Bills and Ordinances which will have to be replaced by legislation, twenty official bills are being carried forward from the last session. Some of them have passed the committee stage and in the case of others, the principle of the Bill has been discussed.

The Hindu Code Bill will perhaps come up before a monsoon session after Government have informally consulted the members of the Select Committee, other members of the House and members of the public as promised by the Prime Minister.

ORDINANCES

The new constitution expressly provides that Ordinances shall not be issued when Parliament is in session. When Parliament is not in session, the President, acting on the advice of the Cabinet, is empowered to issue Ordinances, but they will have to be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

The constitution provides that Parliament shall be summoned to meet twice every year. The interval between two sessions should be less than six months.

Demon Drink Aids Riot: Woman Dies

DIBRUGARH (Assam), Jan. 19 (PTI)—A quarrel over a tune in music between two revellers in a drunken brawl resulted in the death of a woman, and in a riot in which a house was burnt and several men assaulted.

A party of village folk under the influence of drink (rice beer) were singing and dancing on a Sunday night when one Ratia Pahria picked up a quarrel with another fellow reveller over a tune. When other members of the pparty including a woman and her husband intervened Ratia assaulted them and stabbed the woman fatally. Later he is reported to have set fire to a house and he was arrested when trying to escape.

Ratia Pahria was sentenced to four and a half years' rigorous imprisonment by the Additional Sessions Judge, Dibrugarh.

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

MR. MORARJI DESAI in a press conference has, it is reported, said that he believes in astrology but has no confidence in astrologers. This is not a very comforting thought. After all, astrology stands or falls on the success of those who practise it. If these are unreliable, there is no practical advantage in hearing people profess their faith in astrology. But, as is the habit with the press, the men at the conference stopped on the threshold of discovery. They might have got somewhere had they asked Mr Desai what was the reason for his belief. Mr Desai did say something of Karma and the inevitability of events. He indicated that, as he saw it, the stars did not govern the lives of men but only indicated events, of which were predetermined by the inexorable law of Karma.

I doubt very much whether the redoubtable Home Minister did actually say all this. But, if he did, he was guilty of much confusion of thought which, if you ask me, is the result of gazing too much at the stars. After all, events are of interest only when they are incidents in men's lives, and even at that only some men's lives. If the stars indicate events and events happen to men, the stars indicate the trend of human lives. And their ability to indicate comes very near capacity to influence. We can astronomically anticipat the movement of the stars. Does Mr Morarji Desai suggest that, by studying the stars and charting their progress, we can anticipate what is to happen?

Belief in Karma has been unthinkingly dismissed by Western writers as a fatalism which produces lethargy. Nothing could be farther from the truth. A very wise school friend of mine gave me a very sure guide to contentment with my present state. "Suppose he said, "you get up in the morning and know that it is Monday and you have to go to that wretched school after a happy carefree week-end, the thought paralyses you. But consider that after six hours you will be back home again, that the hours will pass as they must in a routine in which the teacher's venom is divided between some forty boys like yourself, and then see how much brighter life looks. Or, again, if you are out on a six-mile journey, think, when you have done three miles, how awful it would be if you were back at be beginning: imagine how happy you will be after another three miles. Then the road gets lighter and your steps gain an added spring." Mr Morarji Desai indicates a similar cheerfulness when he asserts that all that happens to him is good. Here, I must say, he has the better of me. I have long comforted myself with the thought that all that happened to me, might have happened infinitely worse; and that all of it is unique because it was to me it happened, not to anyone else. I must try the Morarji recipe. After all, it has got him into the Home Ministership whilst my poor attempt at cheer has only stuck me out on a limb as it were. But then, there I go at the very outset of my new resolution regretting what has happened to me. Which only convinces me that one must be born cheerful, which again takes us to the stars.

Towards Better Dairy Cows

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, (USIS): Two heifer calves born at the Beltsville, Maryland, farm of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Dairy Industry mark the beginning of the second generation of a long-time breeding experiment to develop better dairy cattle for the South, the department has announced.

The new arrivals, designated simply as SX47 and SX48, are one-quarter Jersey and three-quarters Red Sindhi—the latter being a milking strain of the Brahman cattle of India. Their sire was a pure bred Red Sindhi bull and their dams were first-generation crossbred heifers that were produced by mating Red Sindhi bulls to high-producing Jersey cows in the bureau's experimental herd. Nine additional first generation crossbred heifers are due to calve at Beltsville within the next few months.

SX47 and SX48 are the first crossbred calves born in the United States that carry a predominance of Red Sindhi blood.

Both calves show the slight hump over the shoulders and the large ears of the Red Sindhi, but resemble the Jersey breed in colour. At birth SX47 weighed 57 pounds and SX-48 weighed 73 pounds; both were appreciably heavier than the average female Jersey calf.

Eventually the two calves will be shipped to the bureau's field station at Jeanerette, Louisana, where efforts are being made to develop breeding methods that will combine the heat-resistant characteristics of the Red Sindhi and the milking qualities of the Jersey and other native breeds. This project is supported with funds from the Research and Marketing Act.

Two persons were arrested in Central Calcutta on Thursday while distributing Communist leaflets. Two other arrests were made in the morning. They were detained under the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act.

MUTT AND JEFF—Maybe It Was A Justice Of The Peace With His Collar On Backwards — By BUD FISHER

WHAT ARE YOU SO CHIPPER ABOUT THIS MORNING?
OH, I'M GETTING MARRIED!
MARRIED? WHO'S THE UNLUCKY GIRL?
I DON'T KNOW YET! I PUT AN AD IN THIS MORNINGS PAPER!
SEE? THERE'S MY AD!
"RETIRED BACHELOR WISHES SOMEONE TO MARRY HIM!"
THERE'S THE DOORBELL, MUTT! HOW DO I LOOK?
O.K.
GOOD MORNING! WHO IS THE GENTLEMAN WHO WISHES SOMEONE TO MARRY HIM?
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